

The Bethanian 1997







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The sacred Oglebay Gates are a timeless part of Bethany. Junior Amy Thomas passes through the gates on her way down the hill *(by Denise Ritter)*.

Running

on

Empty

As is evident from the release date of this book, the Bethanian staff ran into some difficulties with its production. Valiant in our effort we completed it. We hope you enjoy the book.

Our staff wasn't the only one running on empty, though. The Department of Security couldn't seem to keep a director, either. "Iron Mike" Dixon's shoes were difficult to fill. Over the summer, Larry Manning was named director, where he remains now.

Not unlike other years, the 1996-1997 school year was filled with old traditions and new beginnings. Weather was an interesting factor this year, with a rainy Homecoming weekend and an unusually warm winter. The spirit of Bethany pride shone through the rain and produced a wonderful Homecoming weekend. Instead of a snow carnival, Bethany celebrated a spring carnival which included a dinner and a dance.

Running on empty is a feeling all Bethanians have from time to time; involvement takes its toll on everyone.

by Denise Ritt



Beneath the iron exterior lies a soft heart, the heart of former Head of Security Mike Dixon who speaks with a passion when it comes to alcohol awareness (by Tom Ballistreri).

Homecoming 1996:

MISSION POSSIBLE



The sisters of Kappa Delta won the float competition in the annual Homecoming parade. Accepting a mission they considered possible, junior Bridget Potts attempts to shoot junior Joyce DeFrancesco before she gets shot herself (by Denise Ritter).

Enjoying the music of Lester Lanin, freshmen Susan Higgins and Brett Ann Montgomery dance the night away (by Julie Hall).



Concentrating on her moves, freshman Barb Rudolph dances alone (by Jody Handley).



No longer affected by the rain, freshman Carissa Massey gets enthusiastic for the Pep Club float (by Denise Ritter).

Checking out their competition, sophomores Natalie Gotta, Megan Warden, Anna McCandlish, April West and Kristy Kohan wait for the parade to begin (by Denise Ritter).

Enjoying Spring Weekend activities, junior Charlie King, senior Tracy Hupp and junior Amy Fulmer laugh over the fun of the night before *(by Kara Schultz)*.



Volunteering her time at the phone-a-thon fundraiser, freshman Jennifer Norris tries her best to get some top pledges *(by Rich Burnett)*.



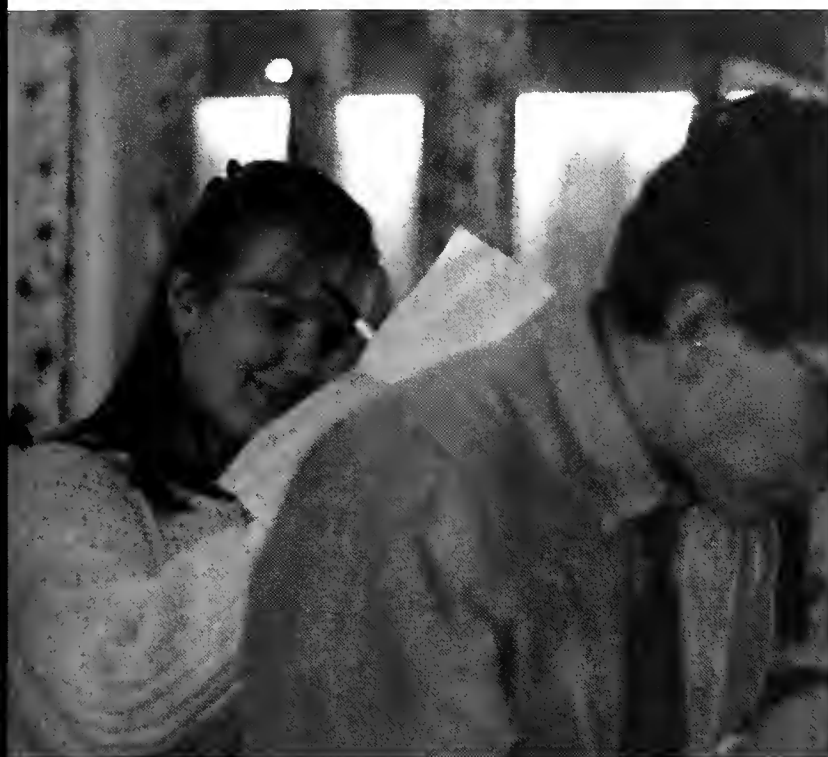
Bethany Traditions



"Grrrrr!" says junior Brian Hughes as he displays his strength against junior Bob Kolb's tough defense *(by Jody Handley)*



Lending a helping hand, freshman Dan Coppola captures the chicken from junior Donnie Bellinger during Foreign Language Day (by Denise Ritter).



Using her ballot in the mock election, senior Kara Schultz uses freshman Mark Record as a writing surface at the Political Awareness Society's Election Night Party (by Denise Ritter).



As president of Panhellenic Council, junior Jill Barcus welcomes women to May Morning Breakfast (by Denise Ritter).

New Beginnings



As with most school years, students are eager to try new things. Maxwell's Coffee House reopened at the end of the fall semester, and eventually became a weekend hangout by the end of the academic year.

The sophomore class sponsored a Sophomore Dinner Dance. With a decent number of sophomores in attendance, the night was a success.

The Bethany College Theatre also had a successful year, with productions of "Crimes of the Heart" and "Three Penny Opera." And Renner Union Programming Board invited many entertainers to campus, including comedian Taylor Mason and rock group The Clarks.



by Denise Ritter

In true New Orleans style, senior Robert Hoffmann plays some jazz music on his saxophone in Maxwell's (*by Denise Ritter*).



At the Sophomore Dinner Dance, sophomores Shannon Proud and Karen Eska discuss their time at Bethany (by Candi Noble).



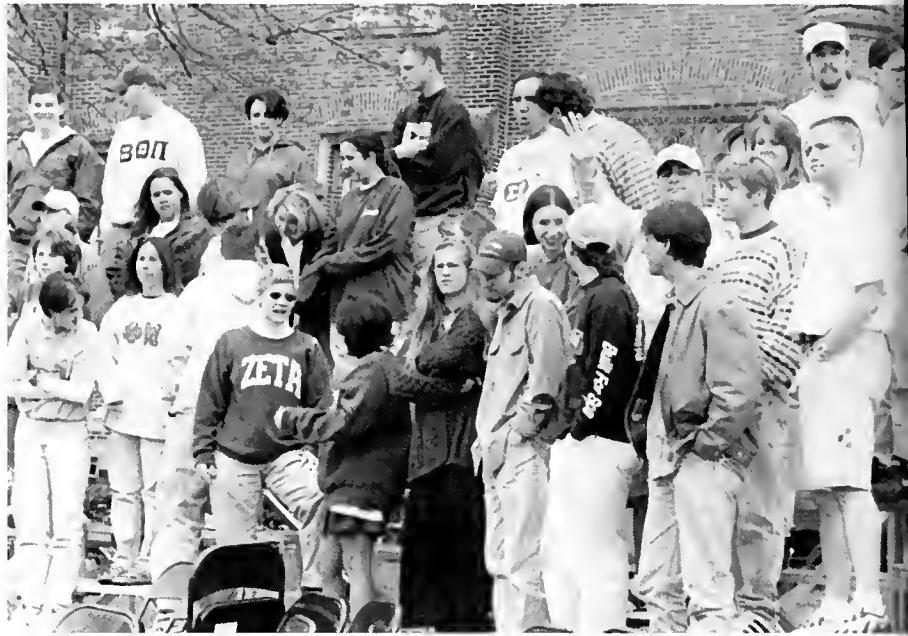
The cast of "Crimes of the Heart" comes together for the final scene. Cast included (clockwise from top left) senior Eggy Erlingsson, freshman Tiffany Hickman, sophomores Eric Milam and Sarah Moran and seniors C.J. Spini and Jen McGlone (by Jody Handley).



"Are you talking to me?" asks Taylor Mason of his corny sidekick (by Jody Handley).

Seniors step into the future

At the all-campus photo, members of the senior class gather for a class photo (by Denise Ritter).



Exiting his senior comprehensives, Ed Gombes is all smiles (by Denise Ritter).





At the Honors' Day Convocation, seniors Robin Laniewski and Karen Ferrari are all smiles (*by Kathryn McLaren*).



The 1996 homecoming court clockwise from top: Brian Avolio, Ryan Meeks, Marcie Williams, Christy Cunningham, Tom Balistreri, Kevin Kozup, Jenny Yakunich, Joe Carpino, Tawny Randall, Courtney Davis (*by Kara Schultz*).



**JEN L.
AGAN**

Deadwood, S.D.
Psychology
ZETA TAU ALPHA

*Let gratitude for the past
inspire us with trust for the
future. Thanks Janell and Dad
for the love and support. I love
you.*



**MELISSA LYNN
AUBREY**

Carnegie, Pa.
Education
PHI MU

*Thank you Mom, Dad and
friends for all of your love,
support and encouragement. I
love you!*



**BRIAN E.
AVOLIO**

Beaver Falls, Pa.
Education
BETA THETA PI

*Thanks Dad and Jeff for the
support to reach this point.
Long live those three words
that make Bethany College
worth anything: Beta Theta
Pi.*



**NATALIE
BAIRD**

Weirton, W.Va.
Social Work
PHI MU

*The road to a friend's home
is never long! I love you m
Jenny, Angie, Bernie and
Justin. Thank you Phi M
Keep it crazy.*



**AMY REBECCA
BARR**

Ponca City, Okla.
Economics
PHI MU

*Memory is more indelible
than ink--A.L. Thanks to my
family and friends. I love you.*



**TRICIA ANN
BECK**

Turtle Creek, Pa.
Chemistry
ALPHA XI DELTA

*Do your best while you live,
and I don't believe anything
good is lost, whether we have
it a long or short time.--
Louisa May Alcott.*



**RICHARD
BORDER**

Glen Dale, W. Va.
Biology
INDEPENDENT

*Two roads diverged in a
wood, I-I took the one less
traveled by, and that has made
all the difference. Robert Frost*



**MICHAEL B.
BORELLO**

Beaver Falls, Pa.
Communication
BETA THETA PI

*Thanks for everything,
Melissa, Dad, Mom and G
And to my Beta Brothers
remember the two words t
changed our lives... 'Howe
Boys!'*



All dressed up for their premiere as accident victims, seniors Jason Kline and Michelle Burnett pose for a publicity shot *(by Kara Schultz)*



Preparing for the final presentation of his senior project--an art show, Rich Burnett is happy he's one step closer to graduation *(photo courtesy of Bethany College by Wendy Caruth)*.



Giving junior Jill Barcus an appreciative hug, senior Christy Cunningham accepts the Aleece Gresham award at May Morning Breakfast *(by Kathryn McLaren)*.



**KRISTIE L.
BOWER**

Wheeling, W.Va.
Economics/French
INDEPENDENT

*The journey not the arrival
matters. T.S. Elliot*



**GWEN MARGARET
BOWMAN**

Wexford, Pa.
Spanish
KAPPA DELTA

*Con estas palabras me voy
de aqui: Endless thanks,
parents, for the inspiration
and opportunity. I love you.
Te Quiero hermanita:) Y mi
cariño, jet'adore.*



**ELIZABETH
BROUGHTON**

Zanesville, Ohio
Physical Education
ZETA TAU ALPHA

*Don't do things to be
recognized, do things worth
recognition.*



**SHAWN
BROWN**

Ravenna, Ohio
Chemistry
PHI KAPPA TAU

*It is better to light a candle
than curse the darkness*



**MICHELLE RENEE
BURNETT**

Portsmouth, N.H.
Communication
ALPHA XI DELTA

*After silence that which
comes nearest to expressing
the inexpressible is music.-
Aldous Huxley*



**RICHARD
BURNETT**

Boardman, Ohio
Fine Arts

DELTA TAU DELTA
*You're off to great places!
Today is our day. Your
mountain is waiting so...get
on your way.-Dr. Seuss*



**CARA LEAH
BRUMBY**

Kent, Ohio
Biology
PHI MU

*Idealists...foolish enough to
throw caution to the
winds...have advanced
mankind and have enriched
the world.*



**JOSEPH ALBER
CARPINO**

Tiltonsville, Ohio
Psychology
BETA THETA PI

*Never give in, never give
in except of times of principle
and conscience.-W. Churchill*

Accepting a congratulatory hug from senior Shawn
wn, newly ac"comp"lished senior Alex Goehring exits
comprehensive exams *(by Denise Ritter)*.



Tailgating at the homecoming football game,
sophomore Bob Reinard helps senior Mark St.Onge work
the grill. *(by Denise Ritter)*



Preparing for his
senior recital, Eric
Armstrong
receives some
advice from Mike
Mihalyo *(Photo
courtesy of Bethany
College by Wendy
Caruth)*.



**JASON "BUTCH"
CASSIDY**

Roswell, Ga.

Biology

DELTA TAU DELTA

*Maybe we weren't the
smartest guys on campus and
maybe we spent too much
time puking off balconies, but
we had fun, Huh!-Tommy
Boy*



**JAY C.
CATHERINE**

Washington, Pa.

Communication

INDEPENDENT

*I can't figure out if it's the
end or beginning.-Grateful
Dead*



**CHRISTY
COOLEY**

Wheeling, W.Va.

Communication

INDEPENDENT

*Take only memories. Leave
nothing but footprints.-Chief
Seattle*



**ERIN REED
COOPER**

Canton, Mo.

Psychology

KAPPA DELTA

*You grieve you learn you
choke you learn you laugh
you learn you choose you
learn you pray you learn
ask you learn.-Alanis*



**CHRISTY M.
CUNNINGHAM**

Monroeville, Pa.

Psychology

PHI MU

*It's good to have an end to
journey toward; but it's the
journey that matters in the
end. Thanks family & friends-
I am blessed.*



**LARRY K.
DENNISON JR.**

Wintersville, Ohio

Education

INDEPENDENT

*Be more concerned with
what God thinks about you
than what people think about
you.*



**BETHANY LYNN
DAVIS**

Niles, Ohio

Psychology

PHI MU



**COURTNEY
BROOKE DAVIS**

Hinton, W.Va.

English/French

INDEPENDENT

*All the sweetness of the e
calls me, invites me. -An
Nin, Fire. To my family &
friends--thanks so much
love you all.*



After a hard day of classes, seniors Kevin Kozup and Amy Barr take a stroll across campus (by Denise Ritter).



Watching the women's tennis match, senior Ryan Meeks and junior Aaron Wilharm spend the afternoon together (by Denise Ritter).



Taking over the microphone, seniors Melissa Bradley and Melissa Aubrey belt out a tune at Phi Kappa Tau's Luau. (by Kara Schultz)



**DANELLE LEIGH
DOTY**

Wellsburg, W.Va.
History
ALPHA XI DELTA



**KAREN SUZANNE
FERRARI**

Wellsburg, W.Va.
Mathematics
ALPHA XI DELTA
*I pray Thee, O God, that I
may be beautiful within.-
Socrates Thanks to my family.
I wouldn't be here without
you. I love you.*



**LAURA ELAINE
FITT**

Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio
Social Work
PHI MU
*Close your eyes, let your
spirit start to soar and you'll
live as you've never lived
before. Love, smiles and hugs
to you all! Lalaffi*



**ERIC
CHRISTOPHER
FRIES**

Amherst, N.Y.
Education
SIGMA NU
*Hide not your talents
For use they were made
What's a sundial in the
shade!-Ben Franklin*



**KEVIN PAUL
GALOWNIA**

Mingo Junction, Ohio
Economics/Spanish
INDEPENDENT
*A wise man once said:
'Nothing worthwhile is
accomplished without a
sincere effort.' Thank you to
my friends and especially my
family for the support!*



**JENNIFER M.
GARCIA**

Boca Raton, Fla.
Political Science
ZETA TAU ALPHA
*Destiny is not a matter of
chance, but of choice, not
something to wish for but to
attain.-William Jennings
Bryan*



**SHERRY LEA
GOODWIN**

Vienna, W. Va.
Education
ALPHA XI DELTA
*Foot prints in the sands of
time were not made by sitting
down. Mom and Dad-thanks
for all of your love and
support.*



**H. CHAS
HAMM**

Pittsburgh, Pa.
Political Science
BETA THETA PI
*To: Mom, Dad, Erin and
Psi, the two best coaches
single greatest fan, and best
brother ever known, you are
all worthy of the highest*



Enjoying the warm October afternoon, senior Gregg Komitsky relaxes on the merry go round at Bethany Park *(by Julie Hall)*.



**JODY
HANDLEY**

Waynesburg, Pa.
Communication
ZETA TAU ALPHA

*If I can make it there, I'll
make it anywhere. Hear me
roar.-Sinatra and Reddy
Thanks Mom, Dad,
Samantha, Jimmy, N'all yinz
other guys.*

**ERIC
HARVEY**

Wellsburg, W.Va.
Psychology
SIGMA NU

*Thanks for all of the good
times, Bubba.*

**ELLEN JANE
HERR**

Parkesburg, Pa.
Accounting
ZETA TAU ALPHA

**ROBERT ALLEN
HOFFMANN**

Hyde Park, N.Y.
Biology,
INDEPENDENT

*To share a moment in time
and enchanted moment, from
which we may all emerge
enriched and better in our
conduct with humanity.*



**TONIA
HUNT**

Gomer, Ohio
Social Work
PHI MU

*The most incomprehensible
thing about the world is that
it is comprehensible. Love you
Mom, Dad, Trevor, Tara, Phi
Mu and the Cube Dogs.*

**TERRY
JACKSON**

Churchill, Pa.
Education
INDEPENDENT

*Learning doesn't stop here!
Life is the greatest teacher of
all!*

**KURT V.
KINZEL**

Plantation, Fla.
History
SIGMA NU

*If I had eight hours to chop
down a tree, I'd spend six
sharpening my axe.-Abraham
Lincoln K.O.L.O.H. Good
luck!*

**JASON R.
KLINE**

Pittsburgh, Pa.
Communication
SIGMA NU

*Thank you everyone who
made my time here possible!
Especially my Dad.*



Spending some time in the darkroom, senior Kara Schultz takes the time to make her prints perfect (*by Tom Balistreri*).



Enjoying some Japanese cuisine, seniors Laura Wolfe and Janis Sanfrey experience another culture on Foreign Language Day (*by Denise Ritter*).



**JILL MARIE
KRAUS**

Wellsburg, W.Va.
Psychology
ZETA TAU ALPHA

*Never give up on anyone.
Miracles happen everyday.
Thanks for everything Mom,
Grandma and Grandpap. I
couldn't have done it without
you.*



**ROBIN MARIE
LANIEWSKI**

Edinboro, Pa.
Communication
ALPHA XI DELTA

*There are no secrets to
success. It is the result of
preparation, hard work and
learning from failure.-General
Colin Powell*



**SHERRI LYNN
LASKA**

N. Huntingdon, Pa.
English/Psychology
ALPHA XI DELTA

*Some people never find it,
some only pretend. But me, I
just want to live happily ever
after (every now and then).
Jimmy Buffett*



**SEAN
LOY**

Glen Dale, W. Va.
Computer Science
INDEPENDENT

*However far modern sci-
ence and techniques have fall-
ed short of their inherent
possibilities, they have taught
mankind at least one lesson.
Nothing is impossible.*



**JOSEPH E.
MARTIN**

Martins Ferry, Ohio
Biology
DELTA TAU DELTA

*In light of virtue everyone
gets into nothing absolute; my
young enthusiasm remains
strong. Thanks Mom and Dad
for everything.*



**MARILYN MARIE
MCCLOSKEY**

Niles, Ohio
Communication
ZETA TAU ALPHA

*Life's full of hills and
flatground. If it wasn't for
the hills, I would have never
learned a thing. Thanks for
everything Mom and Dad.*



**MICHAEL JAMES
MCCOLL**

East Grand Rapids, Mich.
Education
SIGMA NU

*You never know what is in
a pickle barrel until you open
the lid.-E. Fud. Thanks to my
family and to Sigma Nu
K.O.L.O.H.*



**JENNIFER G.
MCCGLONE**

North Tonawanda, N.Y.
English
ALPHA XI DELTA

*Each life has its place
Indigo Girls. Mom, Dad, I
I love you. Thank you L.H.*



Making her rounds of hugs, senior Jen Garcia is congratulated for passing comps by fellow senior Brian McFarland (by Denise Ritter).



Trying to keep warm on the winter day senior Jay C. Catherine heads for his next class.(by Denise Ritter).



Receiving one of his many awards at the Honor's Day Convocation senior Kevin Galownia accepts the foreign language award from Dr. Pauline Nelson (by Denise Ritter).



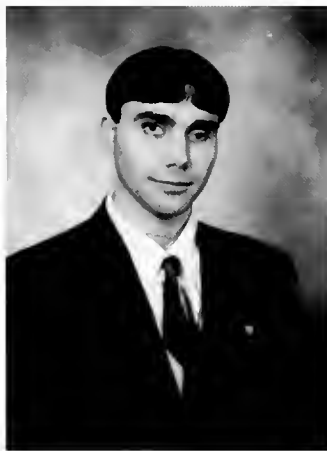
**REBECCA R.
MEDVITZ**
Pittsburgh, Pa.
Political Science
INDEPENDENT

*Dad, Mom, and Tom-Thank
you for your love and support.
I couldn't have done it
without you!*



**RYAN STEWART
MEEKS**
Kenton, Ohio
Biology
SIGMA NU

*Find out what you love to
do and you will never have to
work another day in your life.*



**DAVID A.
MICHAEL**
Talcott, W.Va.
English
DELTA TAU DELTA
*Don't be alarmed, we're
negroes.-Mike Lowre, Bad
Boys. My love to all who
believed; I hope I've made you
proud.*



**BARBARA JEAN
MILLS**
New Cumberland, W.
Biology
PHI MU
*Give it your all and you
always come out on top
Thank you Mom and Dad
your love and support*



**MILISSA A.
MOWREY**
West Mifflin, Pa.
Education
INDEPENDENT

*To all of the people who
made this possible, I would
like to say, "thank you!"
A special "thanks" to my
family for their support.*



**ANGELA E.
OAKS**
Pittsburgh, Pa.
Computer Science
INDEPENDENT

*All things work out for the
good of them who love the
Lord. Thanks, Mom, Dad,
Bam, Corey, and James. I love
you all dearly.*



**NEIL
OGG**
Campbell River B.C.,
Canada
Physical Education
SIGMA NU

*Thank you to my family
and friends for all of their
support. K.O.L.O.H.*



**CRYSTAL ANN
OLA**
Avella, Pa.
Communication
ALPHA XI DELTA



For the Alpha Psi Omega fundraising efforts, seniors Karen Ferrari and Erin Reed Cooper raise money on Foreign Language Day (by Denise Ritter).

Expressing brotherly love, Beta Theta Pi seniors Brian Avolio and Brad Sovich celebrate Sovich's arm wrestling victory (by Jody Handley).



Answering some questions, junior Shannon Ferrari and senior Rich Burnett enjoy their time at Clubs and Organizations (by Denise Ritter).



**JAYME LYNN
PARKER**

Moundsville, W.Va.
Mathematics
PHI MU

Thanks Mom, Dad and family. Every forward step we take we leave some phantom of ourselves behind. With love LIOFB Cubedogs Ruff! Ruff!



**KAREN A.
PIEKUT**

Glassport, Pa.
Psychology
ZETA TAU ALPHA

Change is the most constant in life. If you can deal with change you can survive anything! Love you Mom and Dad!



**TAWNY C.
RANDALL**

Sherman, Conn.
Social Work
ZETA TAU ALPHA

If we are facing in the right direction, all we have to do is keep on walking. Thank you Mom, Dad, Walter, and friends.



**SEAN E.
RAUCH**

Mingo Junction, Ohio
Biology
BETA THETA PI

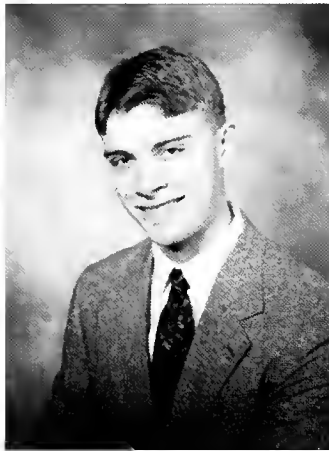
Talk low, Talk slow, and don't say much..



**BRENT ALLEN
REYNOLDS**

Pendleton, Ind.
Philosophy
PHI KAPPA TAU

This is the cliffs' edge. This is where I survey and comprehend beauty. You know my prayer Lord-save me gently or destroy me completely.



**AARON JEFFREY
RIESMEYER**

Cranberry Township, Pa.
Psychology
INDEPENDENT



**ERIN DAWN
ROBERTS**

Knoxville, Md.
Communication
INDEPENDENT

Ask yourself, are you better off today than you were four years ago? Attributed to: Ronald Reagan, Bill Clinton, Et al.



**CHRISTOPHER
CHRISTIAN RORK**

Afglen, Pa.
Communication
SIGMA NU

Despite what they may say we must strive to win each day K.O.L.O.H.



Taking a break between classes, seniors Alex Efros and Alden Powell enjoy the fall day on the steps of Old Main (*by Denise Ritter*).

After taking comps, senior Dimitris Ion only worries about his suntan (*by Kathryn McLaren*).



Perfecting the ads for the Tower, senior Dave Casius spends some time in the Student Publications office (*by Denise Ritter*).



**JAYME RAE
RUTTER**

Monroeville, Pa.
Interdisc. Studies
ZETA TAU ALPHA

*You can fool some people
sometimes but you can't fool
all the people all the time.-Bob
Marley. I'm ace and that's my
dog scout.*



**JANIS LYNN
SANFREY**

Warren, Ohio
English/French
PHI MU

*Be true to yourself and you
will never fall-Beastie Boys.
Mom, Dad, Beth: your love
and support means evrything
to me. Thank you.*



**JOEL JOHN LUCAS
SANTOS**

Villa Hills, Ky.
Religious Studies
DELTA TAU DELTA

*If joyous means full of joy,
why doesn't pious mean full
of pie?-alas Frank Gorman. I
love you Mom, Dad, Jojo, Jigi.*



**KARA
SCHULTZ**

Wheeling, W.Va.
Communication
INDEPENDENT

*If all else fails, read the
instructions. Thanks Mr.
Dad, Vaughn and the whole
Winters clan, for your love
support, guidance and trust.*



**MELISSA ANN
SHAFFER**

Wellsburg, W.Va.
Interdisc. Studies
INDEPENDENT

*Thanks to my family, for
standing by me and making
my dreams become reality.
Day, thanks for being my
happiness and strength.
Loyalty in Kappa Kappa
Gamma.*



**WENDY
LORRAYNE
SHAFFER**

Brookfield, Ohio
Physical Education
INDEPENDENT



**PATRICK J.
SINES**

East Liverpool, Ohio
Communication
INDEPENDENT

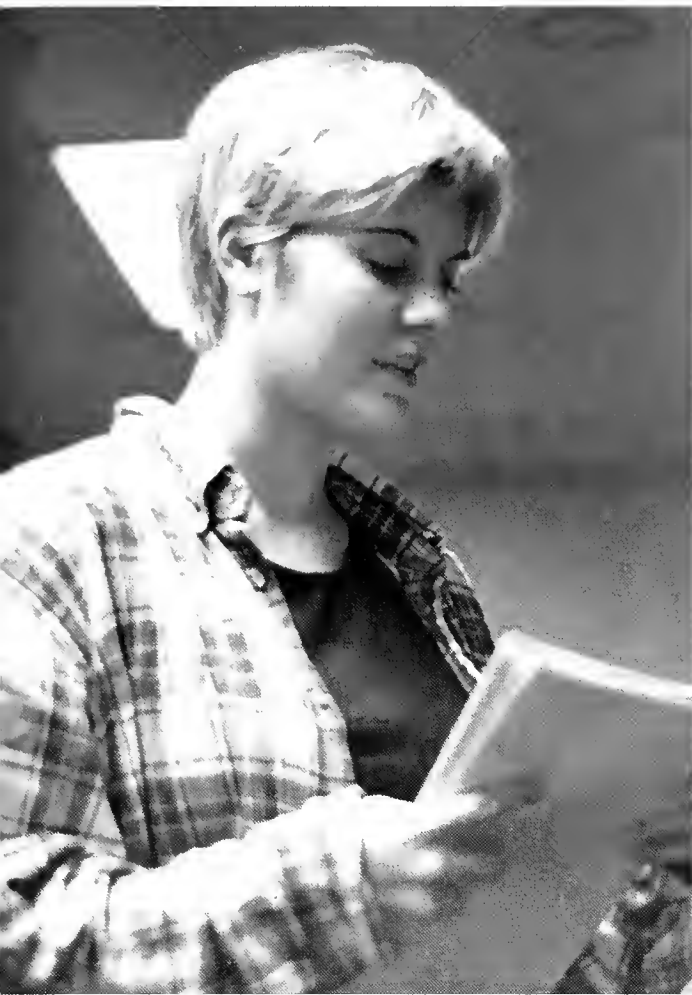
*Dear God, take care of my
friends, wherever they are
and whoever they may be
with.*



**AYANNA
SMITH**

Chicago, Ill.
Political Science/
Psychology
INDEPENDENT

*Reputation is what peo-
ple think you are, character
is what God knows you are
Thank and much love to Mom
Dad & Nailah. 4-Deep for*



At a photography meeting, senior Jody Handley passes out photo assignments *(by Denise Ritter)*.

Sitting in the lounge of Phillips, senior Courtney Davis reflects on her time at Bethany *(by Jody Handley)*.



Taking part in their own festivities, senior Marcie Williams and sophomore Andy Nelson share a kiss at Phi Kappa Tau's Luau. *(by Kara Schultz)*.



**SARA A.
SNELL**

Raymond, N.H.
Biology
KAPPA DELTA

I'm not going to be doing nothing anymore. Well not so much, they don't let you. - A.A. Milne Thanks for being my friend Wayne! T.T.F.N.



**MICAH GRIFFITH
SPARKS**

Medina, Ohio
Psychology
KAPPA ALPHA ORDER

I never touched her! I'd like to say thanks for my KA brothers, country girls, friends, pick-up trucks, beer; and especially to my parents.



**MARK
ST. ONGE**

Cohasset, Mass.
History
SIGMA NU

No matter what life deals to you it is all good because maybe it supposed to happen!



**BRIAN
STEFAN**

Weirton, W.Va.
Physical Education
KAPPA ALPHA ORDER

Coach Forsty, thank everything. Mom and you are the best. See kid you I'd get out of here!



**JESSE
THOMPSON**

Bethany, W.Va.



**MARCIE
MCFARLAND
WILLIAMS**

Barnesville, Ohio
German
ZETA TAU ALPHA

Thank you, Daddy.



**LAURA L.
WOLFE**

Westover, W.Va.
Interdisc. Studies
PHI MU

It's not where or when you arrive, it's taking the journey that counts. Thanks Mom and Dad for your love and support. I love you.



**JENNIFER MAE
YAKUNICH**

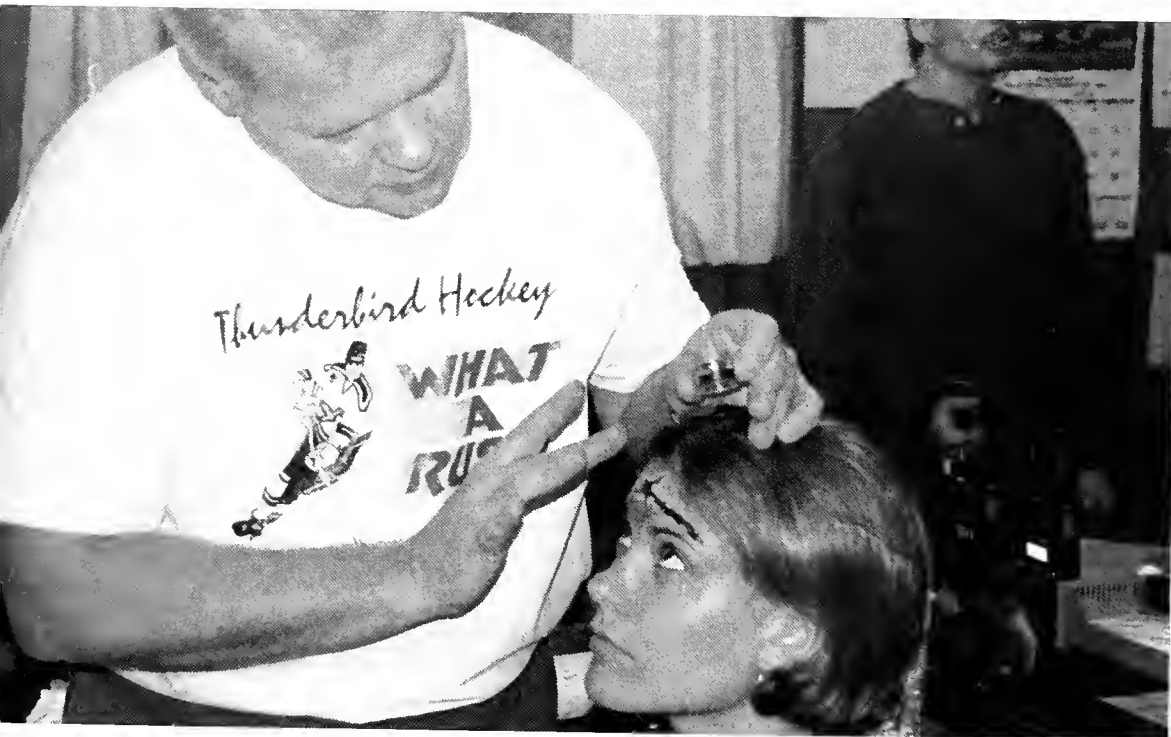
Weirton, W.Va.
Psychology
ZETA TAU ALPHA

Life is not a given, what you give to it to make all the better. I thank my family for my life's achievements.



At the Honor's Day Convocation, senior Joe Martin listens as awards are announced (by Denise Ritter).

Headed to the cafeteria, sophomore Nicole Kirby-Grove and senior Sara Snell take a walk through campus (by Denise Ritter).



Senior Christy Cunningham is anxious about having her artificial injuries applied by "Cookie" of the Bethany Volunteer Fire Department (by Kara Schultz).

Seniors ascend the stairs of Oglebay Gates during Baccalaureate ceremony (by Kathryn McLaren).



Senior Joe Martin leads his fellow seniors in the Baccalaureate march to Oglebay Gates and Commencement Hall (by Kathryn McLaren).

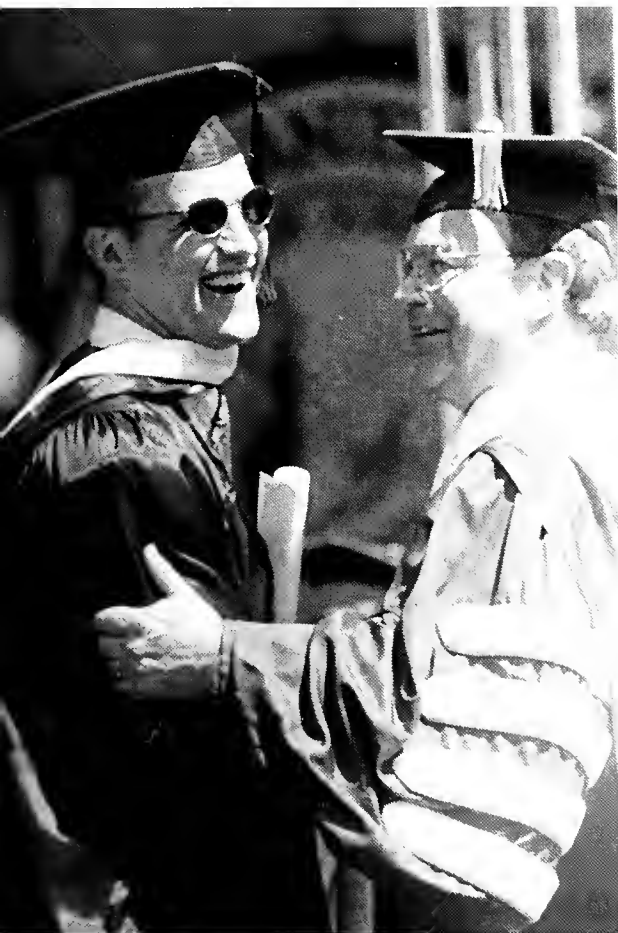


Excited to see her family, senior Tracy Hupp waves to them during the graduation procession *(by Kathryn McLaren)*.

Receiving her stole from Professor Taylor and Dr. Allison, senior Gwen Bowman holds onto her diploma and white rose *(by Kathryn McLaren)*.



Senior Steve Oetzel is all smiles as he shakes President D. Duane Cummins's hand after receiving his diploma. *(by Kathryn McLaren)*.



The Faces Around Campus

Bethany is a unique place. Some days, you run into the same people over and over again. Then there are the days when you never see the same face twice. Just when you think you're alone, someone says "hello" and brightens up your day. It's just that kind of place.



Spending time together outside of the Barn, sophomore Brian McClure and freshman Jessica Swenton enjoy their friends and each other (by Denise Ritter).



Seeking shelter from the rain, senior Homecoming King Ryan Meeks makes his way off the field search of some place warm (by Kara Schultz).



Relaxing on the steps by the Oglebay Gates, junior April Breeden is all smiles (by Denise Ritter).

At the Kappa Alpha Order's spring formal, junior Rob Andrews questions junior Amy Fulmer on etiquette (by Candi Noble).



ing onto his sandwich for dear life, junior Bill Caffall things under control on Foreign Language Day (by n McLaren).



Stopping to catch her breath, junior Shannon Ferrari takes a break from serving Thanksgiving dinner (by Denise Ritter).



In an effort to win the pie-eating contest, sophomore Allison Herron raises her head to look at the competition (by Jody Handley).

Alpha Sigma Phi

"Alpha Sig, Alpha Sig, Alpha Sig ooooh!" signaled the beginning of the greek year. Couple this with Dave Rathbun's creative rendition of an "Alpha sig style" of "Tears in Heaven," and this made this year's greek sing a memorable one for the brothers of Alpha Sigma Phi.

Being the "talk" of the campus is nothing new for Alpha Sig. Once again, the rave on everyone's eyes was Alpha Sigma Phi after a "monstrous" Halloween hell-raiser. Ghouls, gak, and gross, Dave Gross that is, ensured everyone had a great time, without losing their heads!

Becoming a recognized fraternity on campus was duly rewarded by our na-

tional organization. As if receiving four national awards wasn't enough, the house's

great eight of the NCAA's soccer tournament, they competed in their first-ever North Atlantic championship.

All that remains to say that it looks great for the future. Losing nine seniors to graduation was tough "well, quite difficult." However, with a great new sophomore class, in all, and Alpha Sigma Phi has a rejuvenated enthusiasm. Alpha Sig is a great place to be "a better man."

by Dale Beattie



Row 1: J. Edwards, J. Sidick, R. DiRisio, G. Gurrera
 Row 2: J. Orendi, J. Misenhelder, J. McGowan, M. Kepple, J. McCarthy, B. McFarland, T. Messina, L. Knoll, C. Jackson
 Row 3: K. Magier, P. Ricci, W. Konkle, E. Combs, M. Weibe, J. Kusic, D. Beattie, N. Hopkins, D. Rathbun

G.P.A. started to accumulate to 2.9.

Alpha Sig is widely known as the "soccer" house and despite overlooking our diversity, congratulations were in order once again to the "booters." As part of the



Pulling with all their might, seniors Pat Ricci and Dave Gross, and sophomores Aaron Lauterbach and Junior Combes try to win Greek Week's tug of war (by Jody Handley).

Receiving a hug, senior Lorin Jackley watches the soccer game (by Gregg Komitsky).

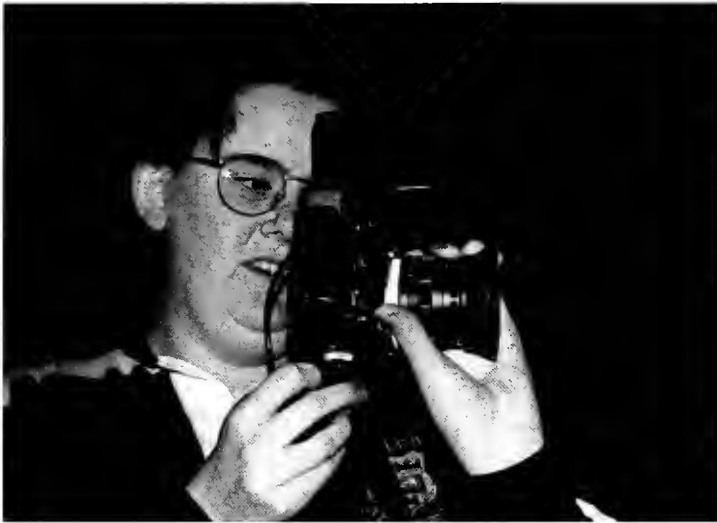


Struggling through a chocolate pudding pie, senior Dave Rathbun looks for his competition (by Jody Handley).

Trying to win the favor of the judges, the brothers of Alpha Sig show off their abilities to accessorize (by Kara Schultz).

Reaching out to touch some alumni, junior Jen sheposh takes part in the annual "Let's Talk" fundraiser (by Rich Burnett).

Checking to make sure the setting is correct on her flash, junior Katie McLaren gets ready to take some pictures (by Denise Ritter).



Going to the post office, junior Dana Koleuzez and senior Michelle Burnett have a chat (by Denise Ritter).

"I don't know what to get" thinks junior Shelli Brody while in line at Primanti Brothers' Restuarant, as juniors Anne Marie Dangel orders and Marianne Moss, Charissa Ee, Angela Westfall and Dr. Jon Gordon stand in line (by Denise Ritter).



Alpha Xi Delta

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 n media, choir,
 ck and field, and
 e student government.
 Their majors range from
 ucation to political
 ence to mathematics.
 Not only are the sisters
 Alpha Xi diverse, but
 eir actions are, also. Into

what other house on campus
 can you walk and see people
 country line dancing at the

winning the Anna Ruth
 Bourne Academic Cup
 many times.



Row 1: D. Doty, N. Ventanze, J. Denk, S. Brody, K. Czerwinski, M. Moss, J. McGlone
 Row 2: S. Goodwin, S. Moran, S. Laska, D. Koleuzez, R. Laniewski, T. Beck, J. Kuhn
 Row 3: J. Sheposh, G. Booth, E. Sitko, N. Welsch, A. Naylor, M. Reid, S. Ziarko, A. Dangel
 Row 4: F. Wiggan, A. Missal, M. Young, J. Hoff, L. Miller, K. Catrell, K. Ferrari, A. Babka

They also view volunteer work as being extremely important. The sisters offer their free time to the community and diligently work for their philanthropy, "Choose Children," which supports any attempt to help needy children.

So, the next time you're glancing at the Alpha Xi table in the caf, remember. . . together they might be one, but they are

same time others are doing the "dog?"

not the same.

But Alpha Xi isn't all fun and games; the sisters take their academics very seriously and have been recognized for doing so by

by Dana Koleuzez

Beta Theta Pi

While the brothers of Beta Theta Pi may not be home to this year's Greek Man of the Year, they do have a lot of pride. Titles aren't everything.

Remaining the undisputed Golden Keg champions, Beta's strength was proven once again during Greek Week. Members excel in all sports attempted.

Their athletic strengths are not the only strengths Beta shares; they have a strong brotherhood, too.

When most people think of Beta, "strong brotherhood" is probably not their first thought. It is quite true, however. Where ever there is one Beta, others are not far away. Brothers support each other in all their efforts.

Some may think that the fraternity lifestyle is all about parties and drinking.



Row 1: M. Dague Row 2: C. Licata, K. Kos, M. Stimpson, J. Cirillo, B. Sovich, J. Debord, A. Rice Row 2: D. Quinn, S. Rauch, K. Fenstamacher, B. Avolio, J. Roberts, H. Hamm, E. Bachinski, J. Lowe, B. Kolb

To an outsider, it may appear that way, but the fraternal connection goes much deeper.

Beta is well grounded in tradition. A chapter doesn't live to be 137 years old

without a strong brotherhood, after all.

All traditions may not be the same, but those that stand the

test of time are worth trying, and those which are worth the commitment.

All in all, one thing is certain, the intangible connection that Beta has is strong and worth a second glance.

by Denise R.



Guarding his girlfriend from the rain, senior Mike Borello spends halftime of the football game with friends *(by Mike Naylor)*.

Celebrating their Greek Week victory, the brothers of Beta Theta Pi hold the cherished Golden Keg award *(by Jody Handley)*.



"Is my mom here?" thinks sophomore Jeremy DeBord as he joins freshmen Art Piatt and Kevin Fenstamacher and sophomore E. J. Bachinski entering Greek Sing *(by Kara Schultz)*.

Pondering his existence in the world, junior Rob Beall sits outside of Phillips Hall *(by Jamie Letter)*.

Getitng ready for a night on the town, junior Regis Bane checks himself in the mirror and decides the Steeler gear is the way to go *(by Rich Burnett)*.

Enjoying a quiet soccer game, sophomore Shawn O'Kelly, junior Dave Pratt and seniors J.J. Santos and Joe Martin await the next Bison goal *(by Denise Ritter)*.



Satisfied with the information they were able to retrieve from the University of Pittsburgh's library, juniors Danny Lohmann, Amy Fulmer and Bill Caffall catch up with the rest of their group *(by Denise Ritter)*.



Delta Tau Delta

This year was an exceptional one for the members of Delta Tau Delta.

Not only did they continue to win the Colery Cup for the most holistic achievement, they also won national recognition.

In all, Delta won ten awards, one of which was for an individual—Jason Cassidy. His award was presented to him for his excellence in the duties of chapter president. Cassidy was instrumental in motivating and leading the chapter to a good standing while serving as president.

In addition to Cassidy's individual award, the members of Delta Tau Delta won six other awards, the Hugh Shields Award for Chapter Excellence, The Court of Honor, The First on Campus Award, The

Excellence in Meeting Rush Goals, Excellence in Ritual Education and the The

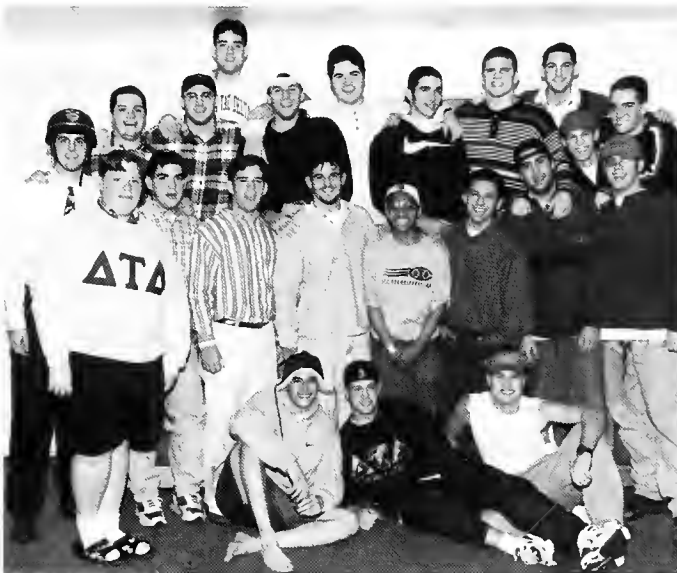
First on Campus Award is given to the chapter who is first in academics on their campus. This was based on the grade point average for the 1996 spring semester.

Excellence in Meeting Rush goal Award is given to the chapter who has surpassed their rush goals and formed a consistent rush program. Their goal was 12, they got 21.

Excellence in Ritual Education is for those who have prepared a ritual education program and carry it out with dedication and knowledge.

The initiation of Adopt-A-School Award They started this with the Bethany Primary School through spending time with the students.

by Denise Ritter



Row 1: K. Kozup, G. Barki, R. Burnett Row 2: J. Newman, J. Caruso, B. Caffall, M. Gardner, J. Santos, R. Gomez, S. Dragisich, E. Reddinger Row 3: M. McCale, S. Coldren, D. Bellinger, A. Willharm, S. O'Kelly, M. Merserski Row 4: D. Pratt, S. Donner, P. Michel

initiation of Adopt-A-School Award.

Hugh Shields Award for Chapter Excellence is given to the top ten chapters in the international fraternity.

The Court of Honor is given to the top twenty chapters.

Kappa Alpha

The Kappa Alpha Order calendar has many highlights. This Greek organization is active in almost all aspects of campus life. KAs can be seen on the sports fields, in academic organizations and clubs, yet they are always visible in the Bethany social scene, too.

KA sponsored two themed, all-campus parties—Blacklight and Goldfish. They also sponsor two formals each year, Christmas and Spring.

Members of the house participated in the sports scene both on and off the field. They competed for Bethany in football, golf, tennis, baseball and swimming. They served as student assistant coaches for basketball and softball, and trainers for football. Both semesters, the sports editor position at *The Tower* was filled by a KA junior, Mike Naylor in the fall and Brian Rose in the spring.

KA joined together to once again win the Softball Intramural Championship, adding to their

streak of winning this tournament.

It is not all fun and games at the KA house, though, they are



Row 1: K. Blanchard, R. Andrews, D. Homisteck, D. Exterovich, M. Matteson, M. Sparks
Row 2: A. Klug, S. Wilson, B. Taylor, B. Stefan, J. Olson, J. Matteson, M. Taylor, M. Naylor, T. Fickett, W. Eddy

also very active in community service. The Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) serves as their philanthropy. Throughout the year they had a Bowl-a-thon and went trick-or-treating to generate donations for MDA.

The brothers of Kappa Alpha can also be counted on to lend a helping hand when neighbors need one. When Greg and Vicki

Wells moved into their home, they were there to help.

As individuals, KAs receive many honors. Senior M

Sparks was crowned Spring Carnival King and sophomore R. Andrews received an award at the annual Communication Department Banquet for service to the tv station.

Jim Allison, professor of mathematics and head of the Department of Mathematics, Computer Science, Art Dyck, associate professor of Fine Arts, music, serve as faculty advisors of Kappa Alpha Order.

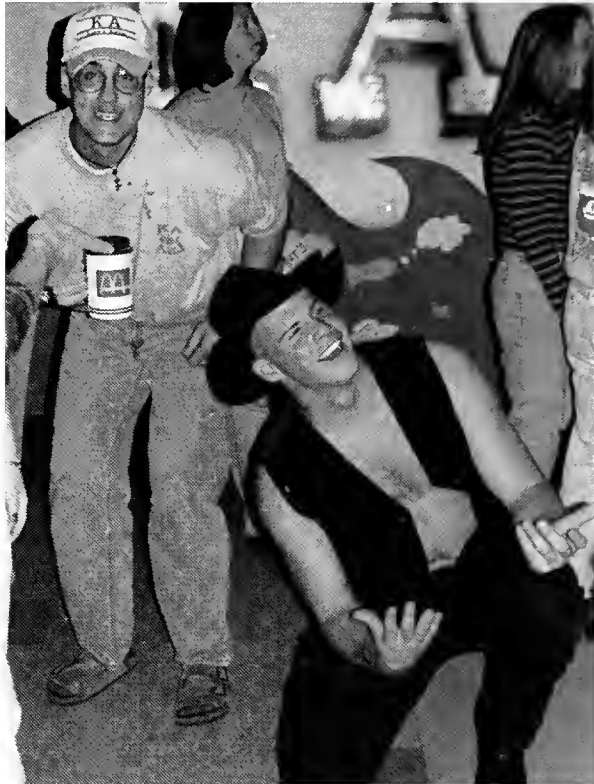
As their 1997 Bid shirts say, each of the fine Southern gentlemen is "happy to be a KA."

by M. Lynn Hard



Enjoying the mild winter, junior Mike Naylor, spends the February day outside the University of Pittsburgh's library (by Denise Ritter).

Belting out a love song, junior Brian Taylor and sophomore Kevin Blanchard put their heart and soul into entertaining the crowd at goldfish (by Kara Schultz).



At the homecoming football game, seniors Brian Stefan and Matt Matteson and junior Tom Fickett try to beat the rainy chill with a beverage (by Kara Schultz).

Desperately holding onto her white rose, freshman Megan Tarbett can't help but smile on Bid Night *(by Denise Ritter)*.



Catching up on some reading, junior Jessica Cunningham grabs some quiet time in the University of Pittsburgh's library *(by Denise Ritter)*.



Usually found behind the scenes, junior Bridget Potts makes herself at home on the stage *(by Denise Ritter)*.

"Life Goes On" for KD sisters sophomore Joyce Defrancesco, junior Christie Gunther, senior Given Bowman, junior Jessica Cunningham, sophomores Diane Wilhelm and Lori Melnick, junior Denise Ritter, sophomore Heather Estep and junior Sarah Fields as they try to impress the judges at Greek Sing *(by Kara Schultz)*.



Kappa Delta

words like honor, duty, truth and sisterhood hold great meaning for the sisters of Kappa Delta sorority. Their national sorority is one based in high ideals. A prominent member in the Bethany community for 74 years, Kappa Delta sisterhood is timeless.

From the theatre to The Bethany Center, Kappa Delta wears her colors. Sisters are leaders in the Student Government Association, Society of Professional Analysts, campus organizations, Collegiate 4-H, Political Awareness Society, Social Awareness Society, Students Offering Support, Bethany Music Society, Society of Physicists and numerous honorary societies.

Aside from leadership, Kappa Delta also has spirit. Despite the rainy weather, their spirit really shone through over the weekend. They won the float competition in the parade, and always support each other in each involvement of the sorority.

Home to Junior Woman of the Year, April Breeden, Kappa Delta

knows the motto "that which will not kill you will only make you stronger" all too well. They may get hurt, but they are never

The Children's Hospital in Richmond, Virginia, The National Committee to Prevent Child Abuse, The Children's Home of Wheeling and The Wheeling Health Right.

A sisterhood of women who believe in that which is honorable, beautiful and highest, Kappa Delta is a loving sisterhood to all members, new and old.

To describe the typical Kappa Delta would not be possible, for she is everyone, while remaining herself. She is all that she wants to be. . . a fighter, a lover, a sister, a friend.

Kappa Delta is an eclectic group where everyone is a sister, but each is also herself.

by Denise Ritter



Row 1: D. Wilhelm, N. Kirby-Grove, S. Smith, A. Cumberledge, T. Butler Row 2: A. Fullerton, S. Fields, K. Coombs, B. Potts, M. Bruckey, S. Snell, P. Couley Row 3: L. Melnick, J. Cunningham, E. Rizer, E. Cooper, J. DeFrancesco, S. Berryman, H. Estep

struck down in defeat. Striving to excel in all set before them, KDs succeed in all their efforts.

Kappa Delta is philanthropic in her efforts. Not only did the sisters have the highest percentage donors and win the fall blood drive, but they also contribute to the Jimmy Page Learning Center in Wheeling,

Phi Kappa Tau

Diversity is the word that best describes Phi Kappa Tau. We have basketball players and swimmers, as well as student government, and intrafraternity council leaders. Phi Taus can be found in almost every club on campus.

Our members hail from all across the country as well as Spain and Singapore.

Yet, through our differences, we emerge unified. The force of many, as the power of one, we come together to participate in a number of brotherhood activities. Each fall, we sponsor Luau, the largest all-campus party of the year.

This year it was co-sponsored by Zeta Tau Alpha fraternity. Our late



Row 1: C. Peters, B. Reynolds, E. Gombes, D. Sicchitano
 Row 2: J. Miller, M. Holzworth, T. Balistreri, S. Brown, K. Piasecki, B. McClure
 Row 3: J. Taylor, B. Hughes, C. Chamberlain, C. King, M. Chambers, A. Nelson

nights are quickly becoming Phi Tau's "niche" in the Bethany social scene.

Each year the brothers hold a spring retreat and participate in a number of

leadership seminars and fraternity conventions.

Thanks to general alumni support in summer of 1999, we sent four members of our Max Award-winning chapter to the national convention in Phoenix, Arizona.

Next year, our chapter celebrates the 75th anniversary of its founding. Bethany College is proud of how far we have come and we look forward to a strong and prosperous future.

by Brent Reynolds



Lighting the path, junior Mike Chambers leads his new Phi Tau brothers home on Bid Night .

"Hanging out with friends is always a good time", thinks sophomore Joyce DeFrancesco as she is held by sophomore Mike Holzworth (both photos by Denise Ritter).



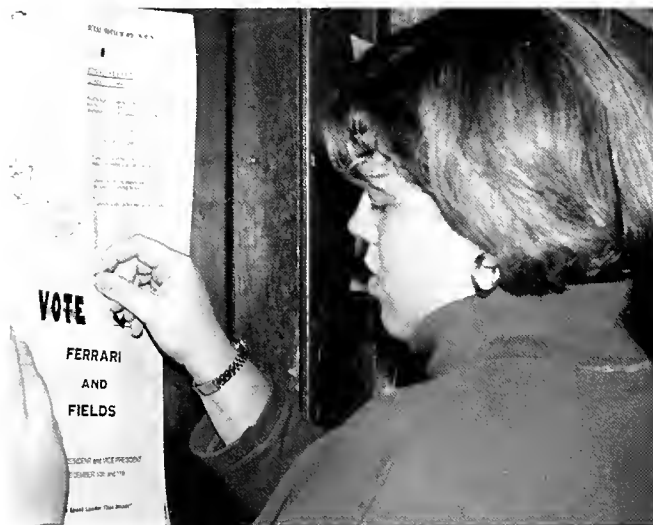
On a "mission from God," juniors Tom Balistreri and Brian Hughes make a convincing Jake and Elwood at Phi Tau's halloween party (by Jody Handley).

Quietly observing Luau activities, Brian Coughlin and Dr. Jay Buckelew try to take it all in as senior Shawn Brown searches for his next kiss (by Jody Handley).

Posing as the infamous "Buck Up King" Mike Casey, sophomore Sue Boyer pulls off the halloween costume of the year as fellow sophomores Jenna Barr and Nikki Spicer watch in amazement (by Christy Cunningham).



The sisters of Phi Mu get funky to their tunes at Greek Sing (by Kara Schultz).



Preparing for her SGA campaign, junior Shannon Ferrari hangs one of her signs (by Jaime Letter).

Bearing the cold afternoon together, sophomores Jessica Blumling and Johnna Stimpak share today's stories outside Phillips Hall (by Denise Riter).



Phi Mu

is for the P in Phi Mu. P is for the Pleasing faces of the sisters who try to greet everyone with a smile; P is for the Pizza they eat almost every week after one of the many Phi Mu events held at Mama's returns at 11:00; P is for the Parties they go to in order to hang out with their friends; P is for the Passion.

is for the H in Phi Mu. H is also for the Happiness they receive when they are together, sad or just when they are there; H is for the Happiness the sisters feel when just hanging out; H is for the Helping Hand they lend to their philanthropies, Children's Miracle Network and Project

PE; H is for the Happy Hour at Bubba's every Friday.

I is for the I in Phi Mu. I is for the Individuality found throughout the house, whether in thought, dress, or action, the women strive to be their own person; I is for the Inspiration felt through correspondence with alumnae who inspire and

encourage success from the current Phi Mus; I is for the Intelligence found within the members of the house who have won



Row 1: A. McGinnis, T. Anato, A. Schaefer, J. Sweeting, J. Kazos, B. Lasnders, C. Peairs Row 2: K. Roland, S. Boyer, C. Kazos, E. McCreanor, K. McGowan, J. Sarap, F. Weaver, J. Barr Row 3: C. Keany, S. Cunningham, C. Cianni, S. Ferrari, B. Mills, K. Matthews Row 4: L. Wolfe, M. Bradley, C. Cunningham, N. Spicer, J. Strimpak, T. Thomas, A. Hopwood Row 5: J. Blumling, L. Fitch, T. Hunt, J. Parker, N. Baird, M. Aubrey, B. Davis, A. Barr

the Anna Ruth Bourne Scholarship cup many of the past semesters.

M is for the M In Phi Mu. M is also for the Monday Night Movie faithfully watched every Monday at 9:00 in the Phi Mu lounge; M is for the Meetings every Tuesday, led by executive officers; M is for the Memories of

Phi Mu's bond that the sisters will hold forever dear.

U is for the U in Phi Mu. U is also for the Unbelievably good time the sisters have each time they are around each other, whether in the lounge, at the cafeteria, at Bubba's or wherever they happen to be; U is for the Unending number of activities these women are involved in. Some of which are student government, resident assistants, Panhellenic council leadership, study abroad programs, athletics, theater production, and numerous clubs on campus; U is for the Uncanny ability the sisters seem to have of getting in trouble; and U is especially for the unity the Phi Mus have in being

in a house full of love, friendship and sisterhood.

by Janis Sanfrey

Sigma Nu

All things considered, the 1996-1997 school year was an interesting one for Sigma Nu fraternity.

For a year that began with a burst of energy, it ended rather dryly.

The brothers of Sigma Nu performed their Greek Sing songs with a serious note, and won the competition. Under the direction of song leader Ryan Meeks, Sigma Nu swept the judges off their feet, and walked home with the award for the evening.

As with every other year, they sponsored Bowery Brawl.

Perhaps the dry ending for Sigma Nu comes with

their nationals announcement in April. In an effort to promote the positive aspects



Row 1: R. Fleming, R. Meeks, J. Bossers, R. Bartizal, M. McColl, D. Carley, D. Doyle
Row 2: S. Barnhart, E. Harvey, T. Kosman, J. Furis, J. Mahan, C. Williams, R. Verma, R. Perry, M. Casey, N. Ogg
Row 3: R. Jackson, B. Kresin, M. St. Onge, D. Casius, K. Kinzel, B. Reinard, C. Phillips

of fraternal life, the High Council wanted to completely eliminate all presence of alcohol on chapter property.

While this could take

some time to go into effect it is a three-year plan. The first step is that for every social function on chapter property includes alcohol. Sigma Nu must have a party without alcohol.

In time, all use of alcohol in social settings on chapter property will not be allowed. It must be removed from public areas of house.

The final step is that the presence of alcohol must be completely eliminated.

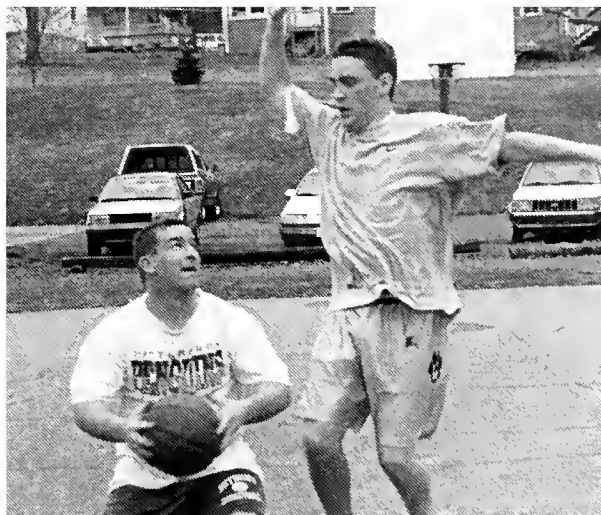
As Sigma Nu prepares for these changes, the campus watches.

by Lynn Harden &
Denise Ritter



Cheering on the Bison, seniors Ellen Herr and Kurt Kinsel, juniors Jason Bossers, Chas Martin , Mike Casey and Sean O'Neill enjoy an afternoon of tailgating at the Bridgewater football game (by Denise Ritter).

Working in the computer lab, senior J.C. Mahan helps junior Sean O'Neill with his class work (by Denise Ritter).



"You are NOT getting past me!" says senior Jason Kline to junior Chad Phillips during a brotherly game of basketball (by Denise Ritter).

Song leader Ryan Meeks is hoisted into the air by junior Paolo Iannerelli after winning the Greek Sing trophy with the voices of seniors Brett Kresin, J. C. Mahan and the rest of the house (by Kara Schultz).

Protecting herself from the rain, junior Lindsay Carol talks to her friend on her way to class (by Denise Ritter).

Thrilled to have another meal in the cafeteria, junior Jenny Murner, Jill Kruas and Erin Blaseski hope for a good meal today (by Julie Hall).



Making sure she gets all of the correct bibliographical information, junior Jen Murner works diligently in the library (by Denise Ritter).



Luau provides the perfect opportunity for a kiss between friends senior Jody Handley and junior Charlie King (by Kara Schultz).

Zeta Tau Alpha

Fun, friends and Zeta has them all. Sisterhood, that's what you'll find at Zeta Tau Alpha.

For starters, Zeta excels in athletics. You can find the captains of soccer and basketball teams as well as members of the golf, tennis, volleyball, softball, track, swimming and diving teams.

Not only are they athletes, but the members of Zeta are also scholars and campus leaders. Honor leaders, honor

society members, Dean's list members, resident assistants and senior fellows—

They also have tons of sisterhood. Whether they

“fester” together in the cube, cuddle together and watch movies or party at

mixers, the fun and friendship shines through because they believe that togetherness is unity and unity is divine.

by Jayme Rutter



Row 1: M. Warden, A. Herron, A. West, H. Ridge, A. Anglin
 Row 2: K. Yardis, N. Motta, L. Carol, E. Blaseski, L. Mangino, S. Jewell, J. Rutter, M. Williams
 Row 3: C. Kohan, M. Bolon, C. Kyrk, A. Stephan, M. Gibeaut, B. Bates, J. Kraus, J. Yakunich
 Row 4: E. Broughton, J. Garcia, J. Handley, K. Pieckut, T. Randall, E. Herr, J. Agan, M. McCloskey

Campbell

Campbell's mixture of males and females gives the residents a different perspective. The various groups of friends spread throughout the building. Each person's personality shines throughout the halls of Campbell.

Although it is an independent housing unit, Campbell also houses a number of greeks. Each person is either involved in sports, leadership roles or campus activities which makes Campbell a busy house.

by Candi Noble

Relaxing after a tough weekend of partying, juniors Rob Beall and Todd Ermisch sit back, relax and recap about the weekend (*by Jamie Letter*).



Looking over her notes, junior Bridget Phillis spends time in the library (*by Denise Ritter*).

Sticking out her tongue, senior Alex Efros shows her care-free spirit (*by Denise Ritter*).

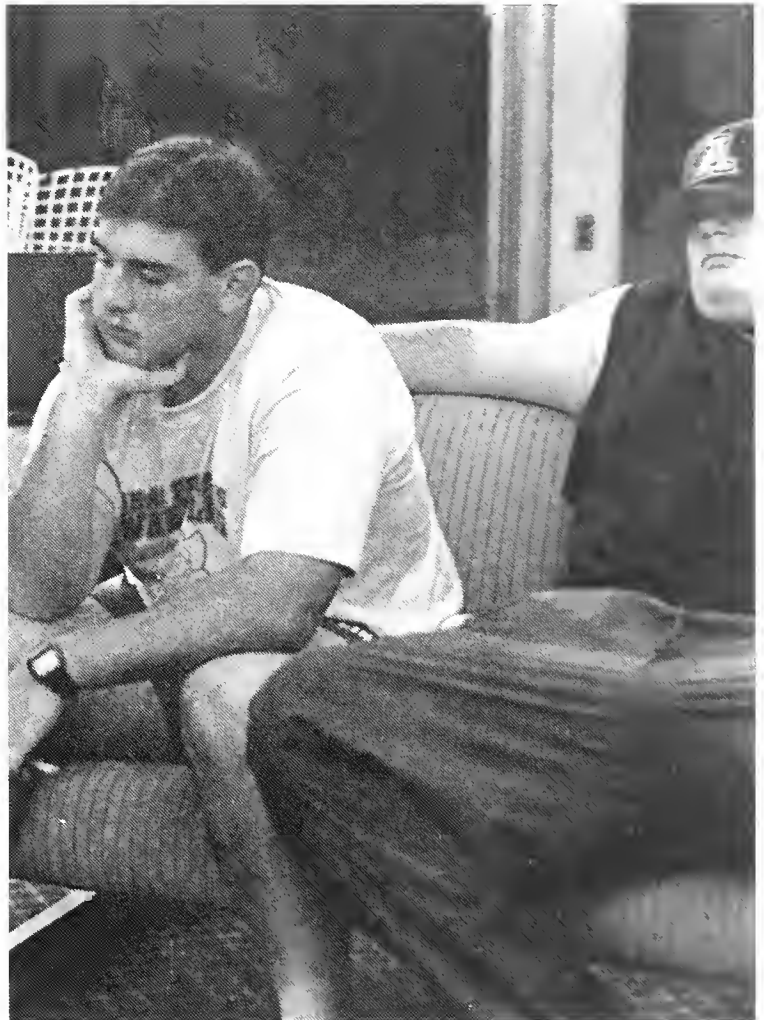




Row 1: E. Ceasarine, J. Icard, S. Norman, C. Heller Row 2: A. Dangel, G. Langlois, J. Taylor, A. Efros Row 3: M. Dorelus, A. Babka, C. Gunther, A. Thomas

On his way into Old Main, junior Stanley Roman flashes his pearly whites (*Mike Naylor*).

After a long, hard day, the last thing sophomore Joe Caruso and junior Mark McCormick want to do is have a Campbell house meeting (*by Denise Ritter*).



Row 1: E. Stephens, F. Weaver, A. Deitch, S. Boyd, C. Lebo
Row 2: A. Neff, L. Christianson, S. Vandervort, S. Hoppe, K. Cunningham, F. Bartizal, L. Hicks, J. Cronin



With one mid-term over, sophomore Eric Stephens tries to take a nap (by Julie Hall).

Checking e-mail, sophomores Ryan Richardson and Laura Christianson hang out in the computer lab (by Denise Ritter).



Goodnight

Kelly Truman

Living in Goodnight proved always be an interesting place for residents during the 1996-97 school year. Although Goodnight was composed of independents, the Greeks who did live in Goodnight did so because they preferred its environments as much as the independents did. All the second floor cubes and one of the first floor cubes were composed of women, and two first floor cubes were composed of

Alpha Xi Delta member
Laska has lived in
Goodnight from her sophomore

to senior years at Bethany. She said, "I like having a single room and living in a co-ed place. But more than that, I have a lot of independent friends who I like to hang out with."

Sophomore Sarah VanDervort added, "I like Goodnight's atmosphere of being homey, as opposed to living in a dorm. I also like the distance from the main campus."

This home-like feeling that Goodnight possesses has welcomed others. Three cookouts were held during the year to welcome any prospective residents for next year. These were

led by seniors Erin Roberts and Chad Lebo, who served as house managers.

The closeness of Goodnight residents was always apparent by gatherings in the two lounges. Monday night movies, *The X-Files*, and *Oprah* were all commonly being watched in the upstairs lounge, while sports and movies were frequently watched in the downstairs lounge.

Junior Angie Deitch, a two-year resident of Goodnight, summed things up by saying, "Goodnight is the boil on the butt which is Bethany's campus."

Examining their food from the Foreign Language Day vendors, sophomores Barb Yonnotti and Kelly Truman spend the day outside Phillips (by Denise Ritter).



Heritage

Living in the Heritage House is quite an exciting experience. The enjoyment of living here is based on two fundamental aspects of house living. While Heritage prides itself on being an academic housing unit, it also offers a relaxing and diverse social environment.

Because everyone is united by a common goal, it is easy to interact and enjoy one another's company. Some students have commented that life in Heritage is almost like one big family.

by Roger Gomez



Row 1: A. Goehring, R. Hoffman, R. Gomez, M. Gardner, N. Popa, K. Galownia, J. Sarap, K. Bower, C. Cooley, D. Perkins
Row 3: M. Sommer, R. Border, T. Peplow, S. Loy, M. Schmitt, J. Faux



Taking care of some unfinished Circle K business, juniors Michele Ackerman and Chris DeFrank spend some time in Phillips Lounge (*by Tom Balistreri*).

Taking advantage of Renner Union's quiet atmosphere, freshman Joyce Faux carefully reads her text (*by Denise Ritter*).





Portraying her talents, junior Shawna Perkins makes some finishing touches to her masterpiece (by Rich Burnett).



Coming from another day of classes, junior Roger Gomez listens to freshman Dion Portman's story (by Denise Ritter).

Keeping up with his studies, senior Kevin Galownia takes careful notes in the library (by Denise Ritter).

Sophomores Errone Quader and Candi Noble enjoy the spring weather at the park while watching the baseball game (*Kara Schultz*).



"Can I have some?" Sophomore Fiola Ojo gets some ice cream from junior Gayan Perera at a party in McDiarmid lounge (*by Kara Schultz*).

Portraying her version of Leonardo DaVinci's *Mona Lisa*, sophomore Amy Zivkovic patiently awaits a wrap up (*by Candi Noble*).



McDiarmid

McDiarmid is not just an independent women's housing. It's a house full of bright and energetic friends. The members of McDiarmid are basketball players, track and cross country runners, swimmers, divers, student teachers and photographers.

They come from many places, including other countries. This year McDiarmid was the home to the first independent Homecoming Queen in many years. McDiarmid's house and friendship grew stronger this past year and continue to grow.

by Candi Noble



Row 1: A. Zivkovic, L. Turner
Row 2: E. Quader, A. Jordan, A. Oaks, P. Zander, M. Childers, F. Ojo, M. Mowrey
Row 3: A. Smith, C. Davis, K. Shultz, A. Buerhaus, C. Noble



Checking out the possible business for WVBC at Foreign Language Day, junior Jeff Rose and sophomore Alicia Jordan take a break from the activities (*by Denise Ritter*).

Taking a break from her busy studying, sophomore Kelly Mozingo imagines her summer vacation (*by Candi Noble*).



Making the best of the rainy day, senior Ayanna Smith and sophomores Pam Zander and Mindy Caivano do their best part to celebrate the Homecoming parade (*by Rich Burnett*).

Woolery

The men of Woolery are "Wool Dogs". They are teammates, housemates and friends.

Wool Dogs are always playing ping-pong, cards, relaxing while playing video games or watching movies and sports. That is why the atmosphere of Woolery welcomes anyone to come visit and join in on the fun.

Wool Dogs travel in a pack. They are forever found in groups of two or more.

The friendships that the pack is constantly forming has led Woolery to compete in various intramural sports together.

Wool Dogs may bark but their bite is harmless while they are off the field. Watch out because on the field, they are savage beasts!

by Candi Noble

Preparing to throw, sophomore Lucas Kromer looks to see who will catch the ball during baseball practice (by Denise Ritter).

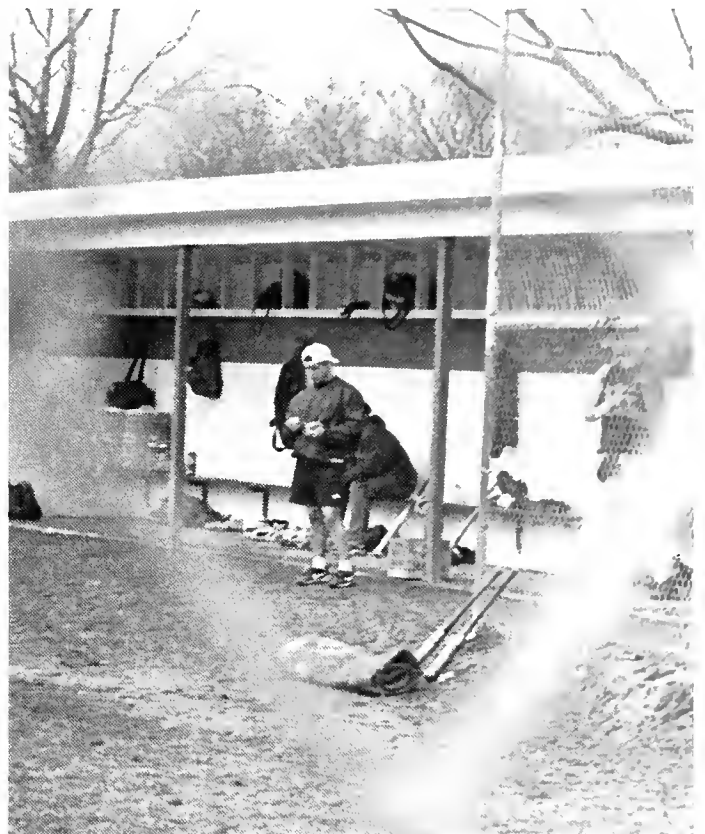


Row 1: M. Yonover, M. Nardone, S. Young Row 2: T. Caldwell, J. Burge, Beresford, D. Solomon, C. Malsh Row 3: C. Brasco, J. Sleath, M. Dunst, J. McKnight, J. Nirella, D. Wright





Deciding what to eat for lunch is a difficult choice for any student, sophomore Jason Burge chooses the barn (by Denise Ritter).



Keeping track of time, junior Dan Solomon stays in the dugout during baseball practice (by Denise Ritter).



Keeping stats for the baseball team, sophomore Chad Malsch keeps track of the batting order in a game against Thiel (by Kara Schultz).

First Year Stories

Class of 2000

After a long summer between our senior year of high school and our freshman year in college, the Class of 2000 was ready to walk through Oglebay Gates and become Bison. A class of 223 signed the Matriculation Book on August 31. Of the 223, 25 were international students from 12 countries and 18 were transfer students.

Orientation weekend was filled with lots of fun and sur-

prises planned the Resident Assistants and the Dean of Students Office. Activities included tours of the campus, picnics and a white-water rafting trip.

After things finally settled down, the freshman class was ready to start a great four years at Bethany. The freshmen jumped right into Bethany activities. We served as class officers, student government representatives, club and organiza-

tional members and officers, on various sports teams.

Bid Day was February St. Valentine's Day. A total of freshmen pledged Greek hou-

As the year started to w down, so did the freshmen. year had created many me ries, but many students fe though they were running empty and looked forward three months away fr Bethany. *By M. Lynn Ha*



The Human Struggle Through Sports

Row 1: E. Patterson, J. Galish, J.C. Catherine (R.A.), C. Cionni (R.A.), K. Zaricki, L. Cersosimo, K. Eskra (R.A.), S. Opfermann, E. Welsh, Dr. James Allison
 Row 2: J. Hartz, D. Ott, J. Malinky, J. Lynch, C. Seabright, P. Hogan, B. Welles, D. Hull, K. Butcher
 Not Pictured: M. Buchleitner, T. Earle, R. Sanders, C. Schwerfeger



The Human Struggle Through Sports

Row 1: A. Simmons, J. McCauley, Manandhar (R.A.), C. Cionni (R.A.), D. Asbury, Connors, J. Kamerer, L. Balough, K. Eskra (R.A.), C. Poshard, E. Abercrombie, John Cunningham
 Row 2: B. Stevens, T. Doyle, M. Sprys, M. Hevel, K. Rose, B. Stewart, J. Ivanisevic, C. Loftis, Perlick, C. Watkins, A. Wilharm (R.A.)
 Not Pictured: I. O'Rorke

...companying the men's choir, freshman
 Cunningham concentrates intently on his
 ... (by Kara Schultz).



The homecoming queens of the past, present
 and future float features women from third
 floor Harlan (by Denise Ritter).



Science and Psuedo-Science

Row 1: M. Scheehle, J. Lohr, S. Rohrer, J. Berda,
 ...mith, S. Karger, E. Kaiser, J. Sands, K. Rohland
 ... John Burns Row 2: M. Elwood, V. Mikolay,
 ...dinak, G. Devore, K. Whiteman, A. Homer, R.
 ...ko, M. Ruck, C. Lindsey, D. Lohmann (R.A.) S.
 ...bs Not Pictured: J. Cirillo



Current Topics in Medicine

Row 1: S. Danko, W. Downer, B. Romestan, P.
 Gill, H. Felix, E. Pappas, L. Williams (R.A.) Row 2:
 P. Kosinski, J. Misenhelder (R.A.), J. Khory, M.
 Stearman, J. Felix (R.A.), T. Ameredes, A. Spang, J.
 Basile, E. Ferdinand, F. Dimitrov, D. Davidson Not
 Pictured: J Dalke, K. Shriner

Accepting a congratulatory handshake from Dr. Dyck, freshman Eric Abercrombie finishes conducting a self-composed piece (by Denise Ritter).

Spending time with friends is an important part of Bethany life. Krista Sheets and Sharonda Lee, freshmen and sophomore Amy Zivkovic leaf through a photo album (by Rich Burnett).



Taking Charge of Yourself

Row 1: Jeanne Hoff, S. Lee, S. Coulter, J. Kirby, B. Montgomery, R. Fike, G. El-Ghazzi, S. Mamula, G. DeBlasis, J. Haas, N. Nagata, Janice Forsty Row 2: S. McNevan (R.A.), H. Trenton, B. Davis, B. Hughes, D. Wilharm, M. Cook, J. Hall, H. Liyanaga, R. Wingrove, M. Armstrong, C. Kazos (R.A.)



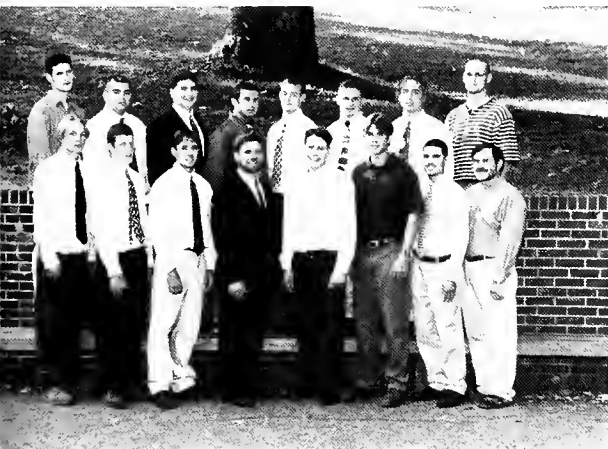
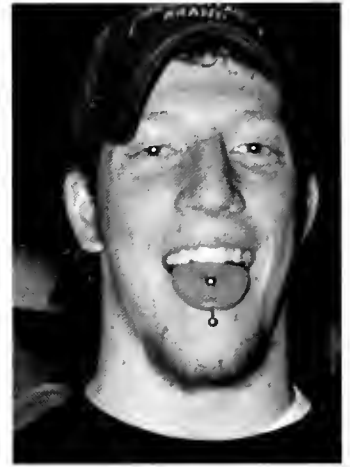
Rediscovering Your Creative Self

Row 1: K. George, T. Jacobs, S. Higgins, J. O. M. Lyle, E. Zaitseva, M. Harden, A. Kell Ralston, J. Swann, M. Frank Row 2: T. Ed Laque, B. Wentzel, J. Walters, T. Vandervo Lewis, J. Chong, Jon Gordon Not Picture Caldwell

While playing a friendly game of UNO, freshman Rebekah
relaxes at Maxwell's (by Denise Ritter).



Decked out for his first
official function as an associ-
ate member of Phi Kappa Tau
fraternity, freshman Mike
Hoke shows off his ability to
accessorize at the Phi Tau/
McDiarmid mixer (by Candi
Noble).



Vietnam: Facts, Film and Fiction

Row 1: B. Lough, M. Hoke, M. King, B. Caffall
(), P. Blake, M. Chappel, J. Spataro, Larry
Row 2: J. Adkins, C. Robey, J. DeFelice, L.
rreal, K. Cummings, J. Carpenter, J. Horwatt,
bert



Challenge Yourself

Row 1: S. Moran (R.A.), B. Clarke, M. Moore, G.
Myers, J. Taylor, J. Heisey, C. Cowan, S. Cobb, C.
Kyr (R.A.) Row 2: K. Freshwater, L. Ullom, D.
Thomas, R. Lozier, N. Salameh, John Hull, C.
Rodriquez, C. Potter, K. Sitko, M. Menegon Not
Pictured: J. Brown, P Macheca

"I was only volunteering," thinks freshman Stacey January as regurgitator Stevie Starr displays his talent by spewing Equal into her open palms (by Jody Handley).

At the Panhellenic Council block party, freshman Jennifer Lohr sits patiently as sophomore Shenda Smith paints hearts on her face (by Denise Ritter).



A Native American Perspective

A Bethany College History: The Truth

Row 1: Donna Keith, S. Moran (R.A.), C. Bernabo, J. Goldizen, R. Hamric, A. Beall, C. Kyrz (R.A.), January Riddle
 Row 2: S. Sen, D. Chatterjee, S. Rowan, D. Smith, G. Gomez, C. Berger, C. McDowell, L. Dennison (R.A.)
 Not Pictured: J. Lee

Row 2: Gary Kappel, D. Maola, B. Power Williams (R.A.), M. Dias, K. Sheets, M. Capra I. Alfadel, R. Priyadarshane, B. Pugh (R.A.)
 Row 1: M. Behr, D. Wee, J. Mlodzik, G. Slaby, J. Coler C. Cox, A. Roxby, J. Smith, B. Humble

enjoying the last of summer, January Riddle and Donna
 's seminar shares traditional Indian stories (by Julie



After the all-campus
 photo, freshman David Ott
 begins planning for the
 weekend (by Denise Ritter).



Humor Writing

Row 1: M. Teets (R.A.), J. Hall, C. Chilensky, R.
 B. Rudolph, M. Tarbett, M. Byers, S. Scott, B.
 echt, J. Norris, J. Barcus (R.A.) Row 2: J. Baran
), J. Swenton, A. Miller, M. Record, S. Fulk, S.
 han, M. Fields, R. Bogdewic, B. Ewing, D.
 gh, C. Massey,



Education of the Self

Row 1: S. Proud (R.A.), T. Hickman, B. Cantrell,
 S. January, K. Keister, J. Derthick, E. Poshard, K.
 Burkhart, S. Waters, S. Purich (R.A.) Row 2: C.
 Swadburg, D. Portman, M. Overheu, J. Deem, J.
 Johns, D. Criswell, C. Cunningham, D. Coppola,
 Gale Thompson Not Pictured: C. Paesani

During the annual May Morning Breakfast, freshman Hollie Trenton turns to get a better look at the speaker (Kathryn McLaren).



For the Japanese Culture Night, freshman Nami Nagata demonstrates part of the tea ceremony (by Denise Ritter).



Comparing notes on how to keep warm, freshman Matt Behr and senior Shawn Brown see who has the best idea: mittens or the umbrella (by Kara Schultz).

ping to raise money, freshmen Eric Abercrombie and Simmons take a break from calling alumni during the "Talk" fundraiser (by Rich Burnett).



Finishing up another issue of *The Tower*, freshman Lynn Harden spends a few more hours in the Student Publications Center (by Denise Ritter).

Offering freshman Luis Villarreal advice for his class schedule, Larry Grimes, director of Freshman Studies, helps his students with registration (by Kara Schultz).

Faculty

One of the aspects which makes Bethany special is the faculty. Through a close interaction with the students, Bethany's faculty makes a connection with the students.

This year, there were some new faces joining the group, while some more familiar ones left.

New members of the faculty included Associate Professor of Communication Dr. Gael Cooper, Assistant Professors Dr. Beatrice DeAngelis, Foreign Language, Michael Mihalyo, Fine Arts - Music, Linda Kucan, Dr. Carol Means and Dr. Cheryl Sandora, Education.

Faces

By Denise Ritter

Dr. Robert Sandercox, special consultant to the president, spent this year as his last year as a member of the faculty. After 40 years of service to Bethany, Sandercox retired. He will be missed by faculty and students alike. His contributions to the college cannot be underestimated. He not only designed the Bethany College flag, coat of arms and Mace and President's medallions, but he has also served as interim president and in many other administrative positions.

Seven faculty members were named Who's Who Among America's Teachers. Those such honored were Gael Cooper, Katherine Coram, Frank Gorman, Larry Grimes, Jeanne Hoff, Mary Ellen Komorowski, and Kenn Morgan.



At the spring Fine Arts Gala, President D. Duane Cummins welcomes the audience *(by Denise Ritter)*.

Showing off the fruits of his labor, Greg Wells, director of student support services, takes a whiff of the golden boot he received for walking the distance of the equator, a feat Mike Malone, director of residential living can hardly believe *(by Kara Schultz)*.



Larry Grimes provides some much needed scheduling advice to his freshman seminar members John Paul DeFelice and Josh Adkins *(by Kara Schultz)*.



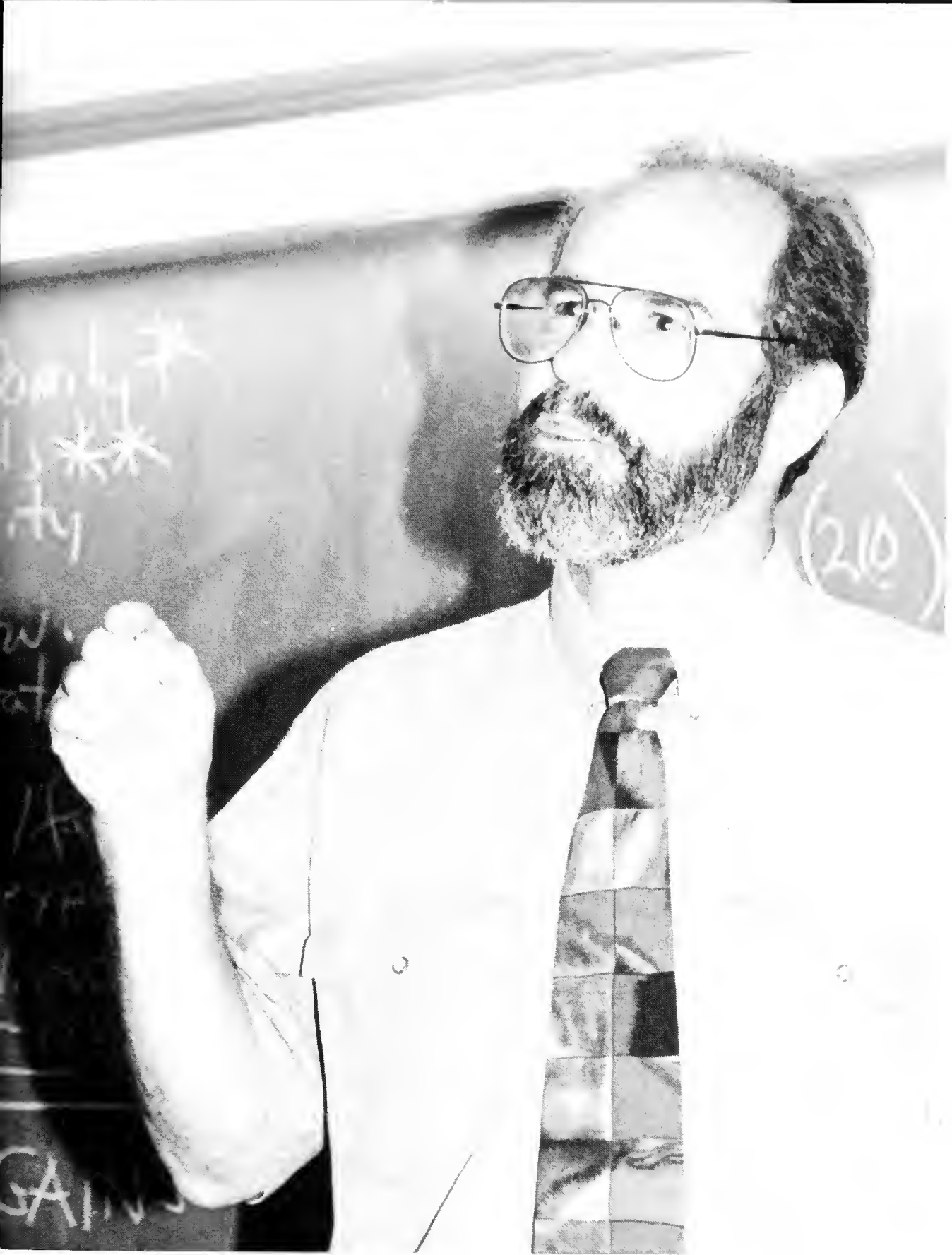
Trying to decide this year's Greek Sing victors, Herb Weaver, associate professor of fine arts, Russell Clothier, assistant professor of physics, and Lana Hartman Landon, associate professor of English, go over their choices (by K. Schultz).

Bethany Faculty Embrace the Future

To be a professor at Bethany College in the last half of the last decade in the Twentieth Century continues to be a privilege and a challenge -- a privilege to be entrusted with the education of those who will assume important roles in a new millennium, and a challenge to meet the educational needs of an ever more diverse student body using an ever more diverse array of educational media.

Fortunately at Bethany, the learning medium continues to be one that includes close personal relationships between teachers and students. I doubt that a school anywhere places more emphasis on the direct contact between student and teacher than Bethany College does. In spite of curriculum changes, new technologies and changes in personnel, the one constant that remains seems to be understanding that to be a teacher at Bethany means constant interaction with students, and to be a student at Bethany means constant exchanges with faculty members.

James E. Allison
Head of the Department of
Mathematics and Computer Science



Before a group of spellbound students, Greg Wells describes his lifelong battle and triumph with alcoholism (by Handley).

JAMES ALLISON
Mathematics



STANLEY BECKER
Philosophy



CATHERINE BLAIR
Alumni Relations



ALBERT R. BUCKELEW
Biology

I would prefer to be remembered by the impressions formed in the minds of family, friends and students than anything I might write here. -- Albert R. Buckelew Jr.



As John Cunningham, dean of students, awaits the signal to begin the graduation procession, the seniors behind him prepare for the ceremony (by Kathryn McLaren).



The coach is the team and the team is the coach. You reflect each other.

-- Sparky Anderson

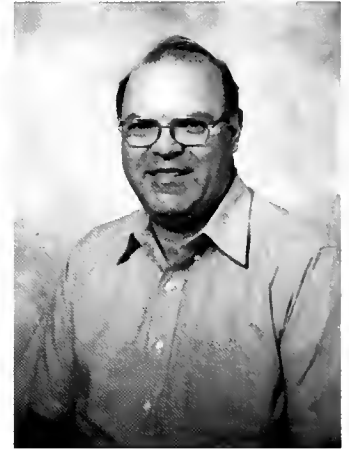
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JOHN T. BURNS

Biology

LISA CAMPANELL-KOMARA

Physical Education



ROBYN COLE

English

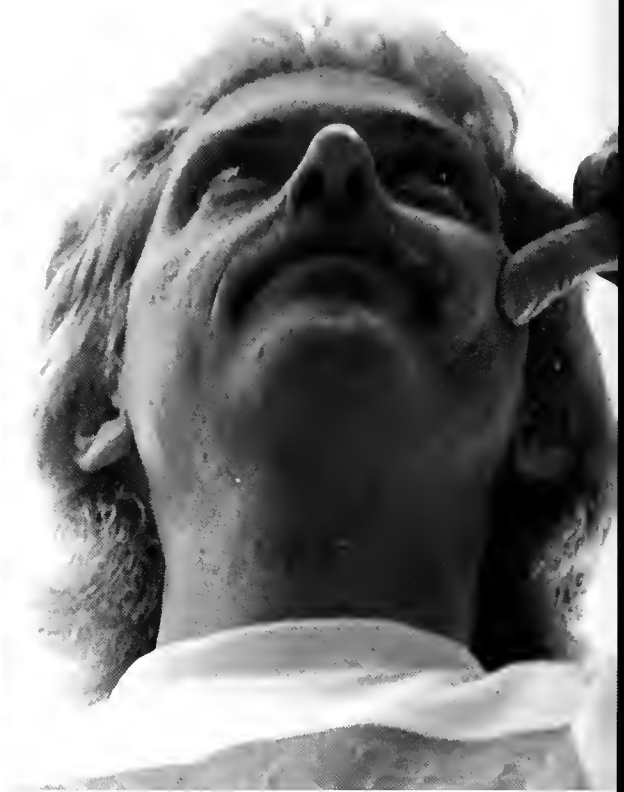
W. RANDOLPH COOEY

Economics and Business

Preparing for another edition of the TOWER, Gaeler, associate professor of communication, makes finishing touches on the layout (by Rich Burnett). (bottom) Waiting for his turn to speak at commencement, Robert Sandercox watches the graduates (by Thryn McLaren).

Thinking about the sunny day, Frank Gorman looks to the heavens for answers (by Gregg Komitsky).

At the Japanese Tea Ceremony, John Lozier discusses history with Fujiko Sawtarie (by Denise Ritter).



R.J. COOKE
Chemistry



CANDICE COOPER
Historic Bethany



GAEL COOPER
Communication



**KATHERINE
CORAM**
Professional Studies

Bethany is my best place to fish, tell jokes, philosophize, make videos, do research, listen to music, square dance, be with family, worship God, and watch my students grow. -- Russell Cook, Communication

Naught without labor. -- Gael Cooper

**KENNETH
COSGROVE**
History and Political
Science



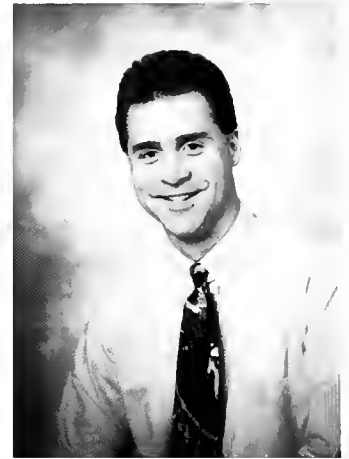
**D. DUANE
CUMMINS**
President of the
College



**PENNY
CUNNINGHAM**
Admission



JEFFREY DERUBBO
Financial Aid



...forming the traditional Japanese tea ceremony, Sachiko Wood, coordinator of media services, answers students' questions (by Denise Ritter).

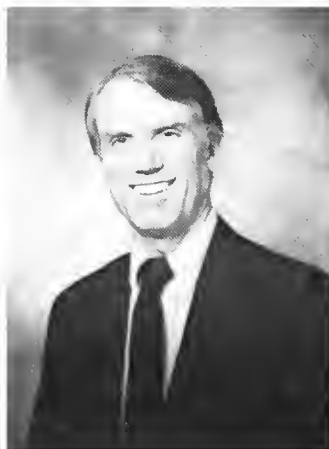
Surprised by the decorations surrounding his office door, Ken Cosgrove was pleased to be named the first-ever Bethanian of the month (by Erin Roberts).



ARTHUR DYCK
Fine Arts



JANICE FORSTY
Physical Education



JOHN GIESMANN
Registrar



LARRY GRIM
English

Of what a strange nature is knowledge! It clings to the mind, when it has once seized on it, like lichen on the rock.

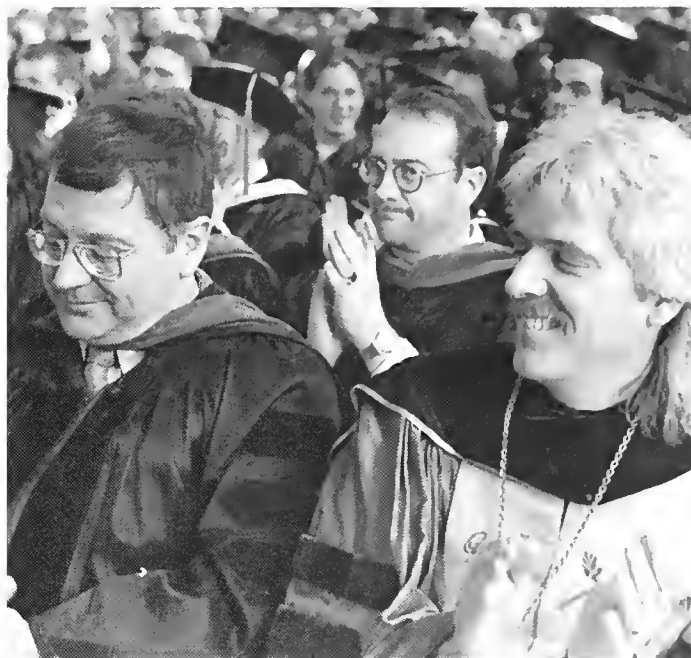
-- Mary Shelley

submitted by **Mary-Bess Halford, Library**



All smiles, Beatrice DeAngelis takes a moment from working on her Spanish lessons to pose for the camera (by Denise Ritter).

Applauding the speaker, Robert Paysen, Clinton Maffett and Frank Gorman sit together at the convocation (by Denise Ritter).



JOHN HULL
Psychology

WILLIAM JOHNSTON
Alumni Relations

MARIA JOSEPH
Library

GARY KAPPEL
History and Political Science

Those who heed not the past probably didn't listen to their parents either. -- Gary Kappel

'Astound' could be used to describe working on Web pages. Someday I may get all of these computer applications straight, but I'll need another sabbatical. -- Donna Keith

JAMES KEEGAN
Communication



DONNA KEITH
Professional Studies



MARY KOMOROWSKI
Mathematics and
Computer Science



WALTER KORNOWSKI
Communication



On the other side of the camera for a change, Jon Goswami poses for a demonstration on lights and shadows for the Publications Photography class (by Denise Ritter).



*He is no fool who gives up what he cannot
keep to gain what he cannot lose. --Jim Elliot*
submitted by John C. Krug

JOHN C. KRUG
Information Services

LINDA KUCAN
Professional Studies



JOSEPH KUREY
Administration

GARY LARSON
Biology

*It is important that awake people be awake, or
a breaking line may discourage them back to
sleep; the signals we give -yes or no, or maybe-
should be clear; the darkness around us is deep.*
-- William Stafford
submitted by Linda Kucan

deciding what to buy, Kenn Morgan and Russ Clothier
k around together on Foreign Language Day.
an interview with KDKA's Mary Robb Jackson, Herb
ver discusses the theatre (both photos by Denise Ritter).

Coming down from another exciting day of classes, Jim Allison, professor of mathematics, and Gary Kappel, associate professor of history, discuss their days (by Denise Ritter).

Singing a traditional Bethany song, Gael Cooper joins D. Duane Cummins at the Campbell Cemetery on Founder's Day (by Denise Ritter).



JOHN LOZIER
History and Political
Science



CLINTON W. MAFFETT
History and Political
Science



PAMELA MCCREADY
Fine Arts



ERIC MCDOWE
Mathematics and
Computer Science

I find weird people more interesting than conventional people.-- John Lozier

Acting, as any art, must be generous...

-- David Mamet

...Send cash. -- Pam McCready

Each of us makes a difference. It is from numberless acts of courage and belief that human history is shaped. -- Robert F. Kennedy
submitted by **Carol D. Means**

ROBERT MCVICAR
Church Relations



CAROL MEANS
Professional Studies



SUSAN MEHALIK
Business Office



MICHAEL MIHALYO
Fine Arts



Grabbing a bite to eat at an all-campus picnic, Sarah Webb, Shelly Och, and Kristen Cox take in the spring day (Denise Ritter).

Dr. Cole enjoys the beautiful spring weather with sophomore Jeramiah Roberts and the Beta dogs Psi and Budd
(by Kara Schultz).



ANTHONY MITCH
English



KENN MORGAN
Fine Arts



ROBERT MYERS
Philosophy



CHAPMAN NE
Professional Stud



Accepting an award at Honor's Day Convocation from Stanley Becker, senior Brent Reynolds shakes his hand (by Denise Ritter).

After 38 years of service to Bethany College, Darline Nicholson dean of student life is presented with the first Administrator of the year award (by Kara Schultz).



**DARLINE
NICHOLSON**
Dean of Student Life



ROBERT PAYSAN
Chemistry



JANUARY RIDDLE
Communication



**CHERYL
SANDORA**
Professional Studies

**FUJIKO
SAWTARIE**
Mathematics and
Computer Science



MAJID SAWTARIE
Computer Science
and Physics



STUART STRAIT
Development Office



GALE THOMPSON
Psychology



Announcing the winners of the student art show, Ken Morgan presents the award (by Denise Ritter).



Cheering on a swimmer, John McGowan screams from the side of the pool (photo courtesy of Bethany College by Wendy Caruth).

**BARBARA
VAN BEVERAN**
Special Advising



CHRIS WALKER
Fine Arts



Presenting an economic award, John Davis describes the recipient's accomplishments (by Denise Ritter).



SARAH WEBB
Chaplain



WILLIAM WHIPPLE
Vice President
Academic Affairs

Bringing Home a Victory



Trying to get her opponent out, Melissa Bradley swipes the plate (photo courtesy of Bethany College Wendy Caruth).

Preparing to start the event, divers Michelle Childers, Megan Ward and Jessica Swann relieve some tension before their part of the W & J swim meet (by Denise Ritt).

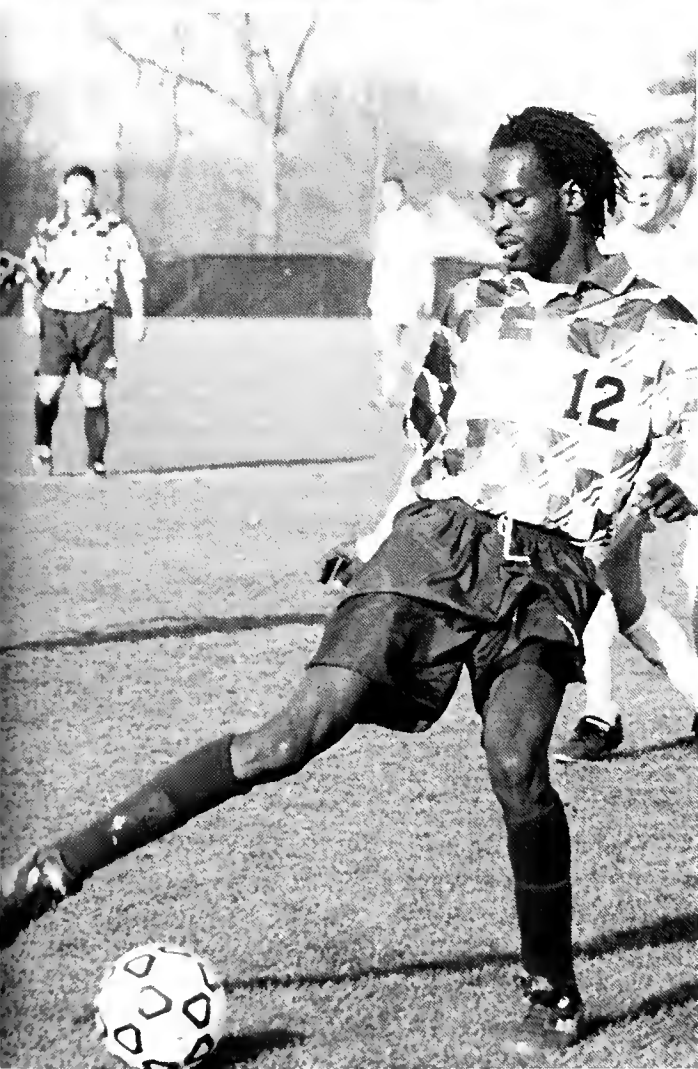


With little to cheer for, Ginger Booth, Sarah Ziarko and Robin Laniewski just try to stay dry (by Kara Schultz).

Concentrating to make her serve killer, sophomore Kelly Mattheis lines up against her Chatham College opponent (by Christy Cunningham).



Broadcasting the soccer game for WVBC, junior Danny Lohmann watches the players intently (by Heather Ridge).



Coming into a turn, Mike Cook catches one last breath (by Denise Ritter).

Keeping the ball away from his Elizabethtown opponent, midfielder Dawda Nije exercises some fancy footwork (by Heather Ridge).

SOCCER



Stretching to reach the ball, senior Pat Ricci steals it away from his opponent (*photo courtesy of Bethany College by Wendy Caruth*).

Struggling for possession of the ball, sophomore Dale Beattie prepares to kick (*photo courtesy of Bethany College by Wendy Caruth*).



Concentrating on the ball, senior Dawda Njie runs past his LaRoche opponent (*photo courtesy of Bethany College by Wendy Caruth*).





Impressive slide tackles were just one way sophomore Megan Warden helped the women booters shut out Washington & Jefferson (photo by Charlie King).

All tangled up, junior Leah Mangino tries to kick the ball free (photo courtesy of Bethany College by Wendy Caruth).



Kicking the ball ahead, freshman Marie Dorelus is chased by her opponent (photo courtesy of Bethany College by Wendy Caruth).



FOOTBALL



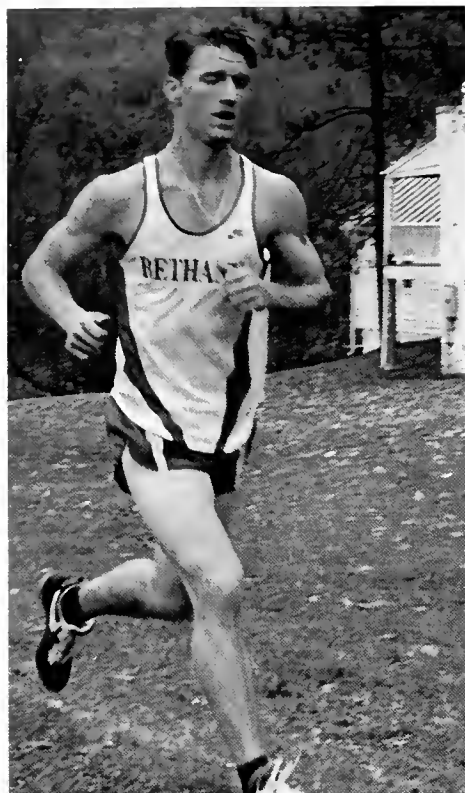
Gaining some yards for his team, sophomore Jared McKnight is careful not to fumble (*photo courtesy of Bethany College by Wendy Caruth*).

With W&J hot on his tail, sophomore Jamie Zelewicz makes a catch (*photo courtesy of Bethany College by Wendy Caruth*).

Waiting for just the right moment, junior Bob Fromm prepares to throw the ball (*photo courtesy of Bethany College by Wendy Caruth*).

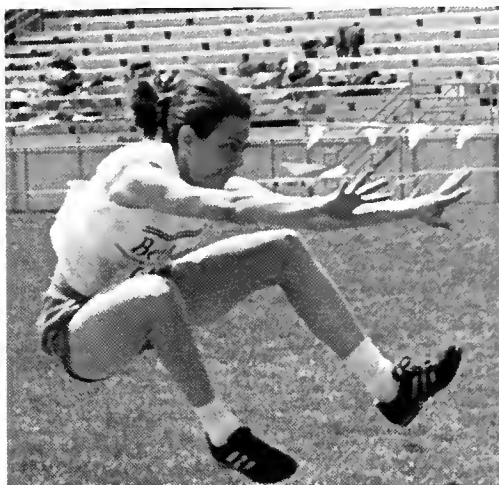


TRACK/CROSS COUNTRY



Concentrating on the trail ahead, senior Joe Martin competes against Washington & Jefferson Homecoming Weekend (by Rich Burnett).

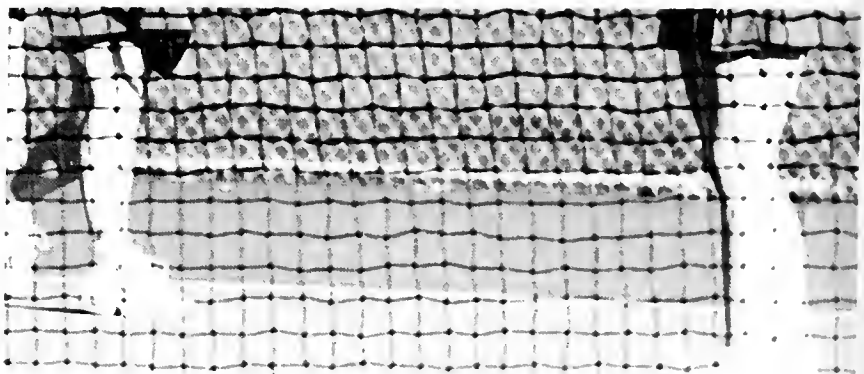
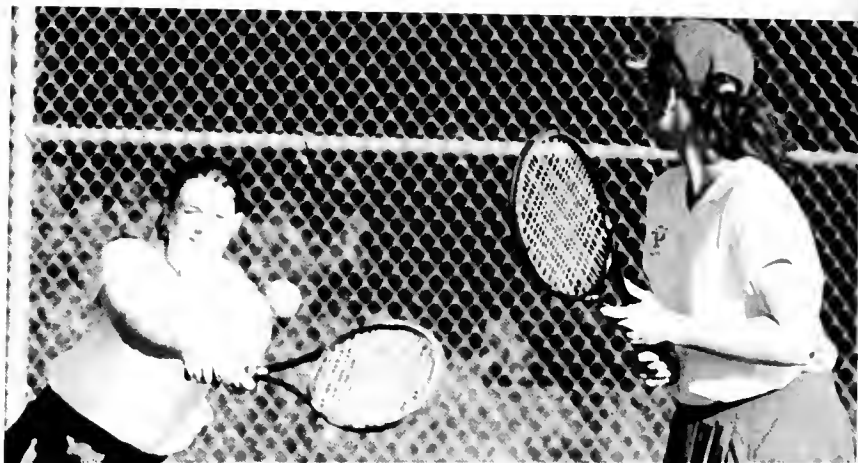
Seconds after liftoff, sophomore Karen Eskra stretches for more distance in the long jump (by Kara Shultz).



Running with all his might, freshman Arthur Piatt strives to cross the finish line (photo courtesy of Bethany College by Wendy Caruth).

TENNIS

Backhanding the ball, freshman Alicia Kelly lets it sail past her doubles partner (photo courtesy of Bethany College by Wendy Caruth).



Determined to return her opponent's serve, junior Lindsay Carol stretches her limits on the tennis court (by Jody Handely).





Reaching for the sky, sophomore Mike Mezerski stretches to make a great serve (photo courtesy of Bethany College by Wendy Caruth).

Preparing for the ball to hit her racket, freshman Bethany Romestan takes a swing during a doubles match (photo courtesy of Bethany College by Wendy Caruth).



SWIMMING

Coming up for a breath, junior Jeff Furis races to do his part for the Bison team (photo courtesy of Bethany College by Wendy Caruth).



Balancing herself on the end of the board, diver Megan Warden prepares to make her entry at the Washington & Jefferson swim meet (by Denise Ritter).



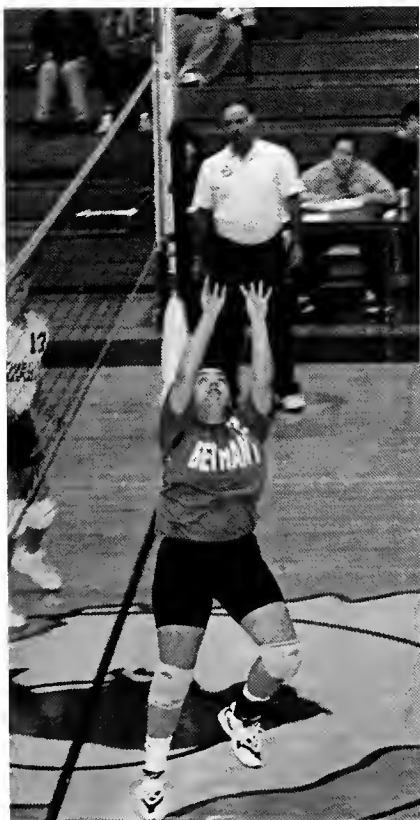
Racing furiously, freshman Shannon Scott swims her way to victory (by Denise Ritter).



VOLLEYBALL

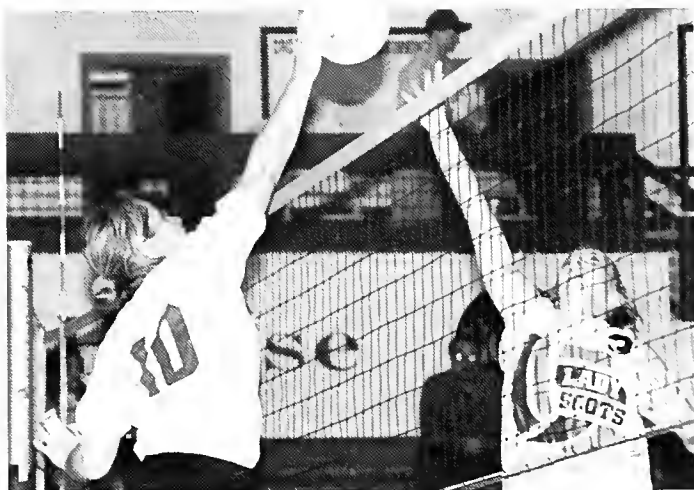


Using her powerful arm, junior Amy Thomas smashes the ball into a LaRoche blocker's way at a tournament in Hummel Field House (by Jody Handley).



Setting the ball up for a spiker, sophomore Monica Gibeaut helps the Bison win a point against Thiel College (by Jaime Letter).

Stretching to reach the ball, junior April English hits it back over the net (photo courtesy of Bethany College by Wendy Caruth).



BASKETBALL



Pushing the ball down the court, junior guard Drew Meighen looks for the open man (*by Rich Burnett*).



With a quick turn, junior Stephanie Cunningham dribbles the ball away from her opponent (*by Denise Ritter*).



Warming up before a game, freshman Eleni Pappas shoots and scores *(by Jody Handley)*.



Keeping an eye on the ball as it leaves her hands, sophomore Monica Gibeaut goes for a basket *(by Jody Handley)*.

BASEBALL

Coming into home, sophomore Lucas Kromer and the Thiel catcher watch for the throw
(by Kara Schultz).



Hitting one into the outfield, junior Eric Lipinski sends the ball flying
(by Denise Ritter).



After his slide into home to beat the throw, junior James Demaria waits with the Thiel catcher for the umpire's call
(by Kara Schultz).



SOFTBALL



Warming up before a game, senior Wendy Shaffer prepares for a catch while junior Jodi Jackfert winds up for a throw (photo courtesy of Bethany College by Wendy Caruth).



Taking a swing, junior Lisa Rankin tries to add some runs to the Bison's score (photo courtesy of Bethany College by Wendy Caruth).

Trying to beat the third baseman to the plate, senior Melissa Bradley tries to beat the run down, but is unsuccessful (by Kara Schultz).



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Running Out

by Denise Ritter

Through the traditions and the new beginnings, the 1996-1997 school year ran its course. With all the usual events, homecoming, greek week, greek sing, Thanksgiving dinner, spring weekend, foreign language day, the school year was similar to any other. Yet, there was something that gave it a unique quality.

New beginnings at Bethany helped students and faculty alike to see things in a different way.



Rushing to his car, junior Keith Piasecki makes sure he doesn't miss the fire call (*by Denise Ritter*).

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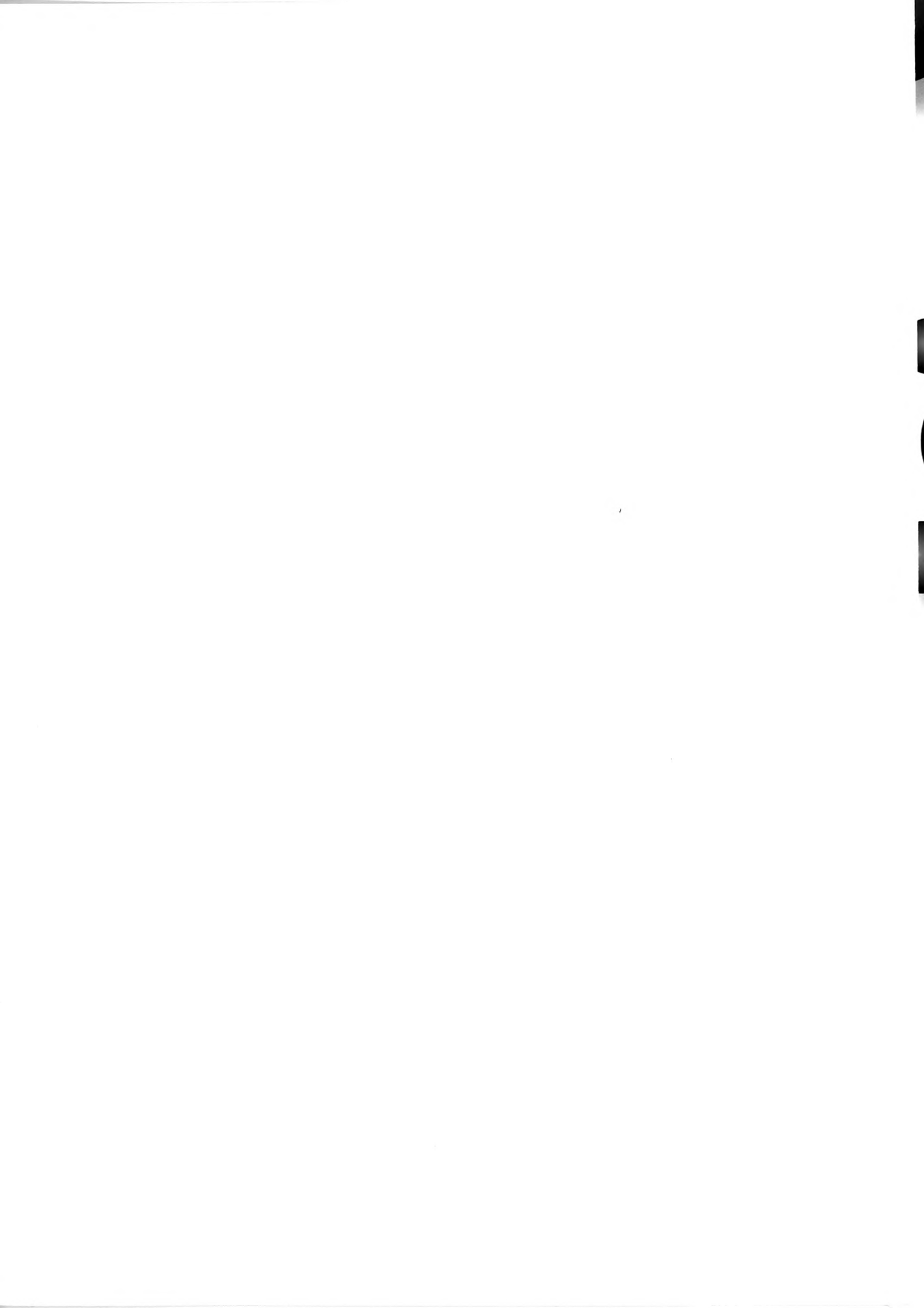
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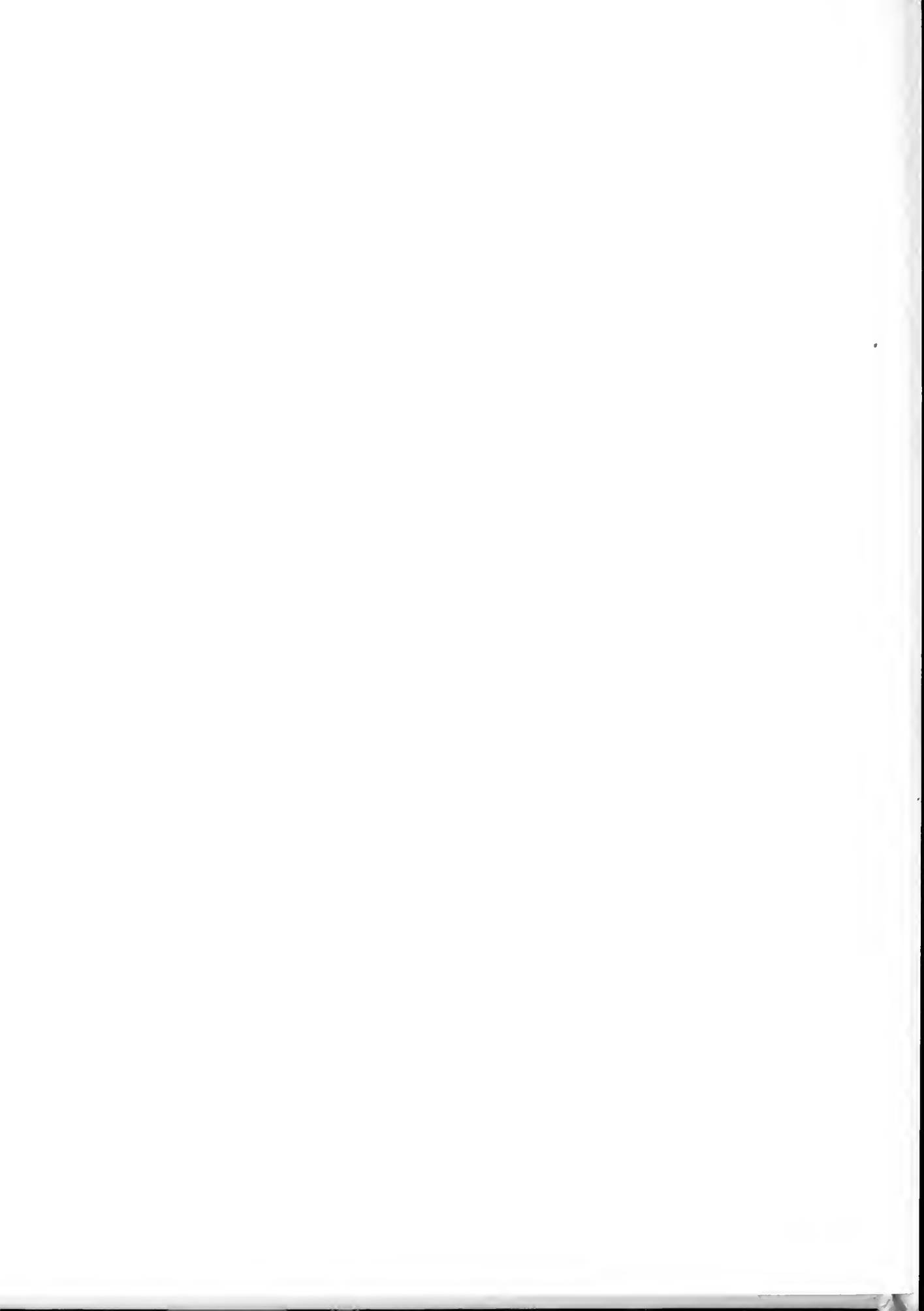
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